

Fraining 2011













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## **CHEESE AFFINAGE**

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#### **FOR**

- Heads of new projects to create cheese factories or cheese shops
- Cheesemakers
- · Cheese affineurs
- Cheesemonger

### **OBJECTIVES**

- To learn the fundamentals of cheese affinage
- To learn about the environmental parameters affecting cheese affinage
- To learn about the evolution of micro-organisms
- To learn about the different types of affinage treatments
- · To identify which products are "ready" and which ones require affinage
- To learn about the different facilities for cheese affinage
- To master the use of affinage tools
- To combine environmental parameters and care through cheese technology
- To estimate ageing costs
- To advise on taste, degree of ripening, similar products, product use, associations.









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### **PROGRAMME**

- · From grass to cheese
- · General principles of cheese affinage
- Micro-organisms: bacteria, yeasts and moulds
- Affinage parameters: air humidity, temperature
- Affinage treatments
- Affinage techniques (care and tools)
- Different places or facilities used for affinage
- Affinage defects
- Affinage process diagrams
- · Sensory analysis
- The economics of affinage

#### **ORGANISATION**

Educational and technical resources prepared in conjunction with MONS Formation:

- Theoretical presentations
- · Visit to cheese factory
- · Guided cheese tasting









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