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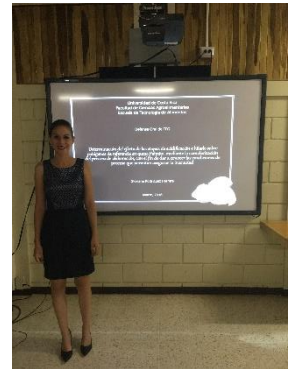
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We are celebrating the first graduation project approved with an ILSI Mesoamerica research project

San Jose, Costa Rica. On March 13, 2018, the student of the Food Engineering career at the University of Costa Rica, Gloriana Rodríguez Herrera, defended her final graduation work.

She developed her work within the framework of the project: "Validation of control measures to reduce pathogens and ensure the safety of three artisan dairy products produced in the Mesoamerican region ". Project that is finance by the PIP program of ILSI Global.

Her research was entitled "Determination of the effect of the stages of acidification and spinning on reference pathogens in Palmito cheese, by characterizing the production process, in order to raise awareness of the process conditions that ensure safety".



In this final graduation work, the effect from acidification to cooling on the control of reference pathogens was determined, through the characterization of the process of Palmito cheese production, with the purpose of making known the process conditions that allow assuring the innocuousness of this product to artisan producers.

In this way, the now Ing. Gloriana Rodríguez becomes the first student to graduate thanks to research developed within the framework of the cooperation agreement signed between the University of Costa Rica and ILSI Mesoamerica.

From left to right in the photo:

M.Sc. Ileana Morales Herrera. President of the evaluating court.
PhD. Marianela Cortés. Teacher assigned.
Ing. Gloriana Rodríguez Herrera. Thesis
Dr. Jessie Usaga Barrientos. Project consultant.
Lic. Diana Viquez Barrantes. Director of the project.
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Training in Processes and Regulations of CODEX Alimentarius for Central America and Dominican Republic.

San José, Costa Rica. During the months of April to May, the training workshop in Processes and Codex Regulations for Central America and the Dominican Republic was carried out. During two days per country, we worked with all the Government Officials and representatives of the academy that are part of the National Commissions at these countries.



Eng. Amanda Lasso Cruz, Focal Point of Codex for Costa Rica will be in charge of giving this workshop. It is important to mention that this project was born through the cooperation agreement signed between the Ministry of Economy, Industry and Commerce of Costa Rica (MEIC) and ILSI Mesoamerica.

The objective of the workshop is to strengthen the knowledge and technical capacities of the members of the Subcommittees and the National Codex Committee (CNC) and the development of Codex regulations in Central America and the Dominican Republic.

On last April, El Salvador, Honduras and Guatemala were visited and on May, Panama and the Dominican Republic. The workshop in Nicaragua is pending.



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Workshop – Symposium on Food Additives: Analysis of risk, toxicology and market trends

San Jose, Costa Rica. On May 15, 16 and 17, the Risk Analysis and Biotechnology Committee held the Workshop-Symposium on Food Additives.

The first part of the workshop was special for officials of the governments of Central America, and in charge of the PhD. Maria Cecilia Toledo from the University of Campinas Sao Pablo of Brazil, and counted with the participation of representatives from countries such as Nicaragua, Guatemala, Honduras, Panama and Costa Rica.



The second part of the event was a Symposium open to the food industries, academics and students. It took place on May 16 and 17, with a total participation of 85 people both in person and online. We had the participation of high quality speakers:



- PhD. Maria Cecilia Toledo from the University of Campinas Sao Pablo of Brazil,
- PhD. Virginia Montero from the Technological Institute of Costa Rica,
- PhD. Teresa Croce from the Food

Additives Safety Office, FDA-USA,

- PhD. Randy Worobo from Cornell University,
- Eng. Brenda Manjarrez from Sensient Colors SA,
- Dr. Silvia Goyanes from the University of Buenos Aires, Argentina,
- PhD. Susana Socolovsky of the Argentine Association of Food Technologists,
- Eng. Denis Wiliquet of Galactic Biochemists,
- PhD. José Roberto Vega Baudrit from CENAT-LANOTEC, Costa Rica.

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