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Research

Mrs. loannidou's research interests focus on varieties testing, modern cropping systems and agricultural practices in deciduous fruit-trees. Her research work among other is aiming on the improvement of yield and quality of deciduous fruit trees in local environmental conditions by implementing Integrated Fruit Production methods that lead to Sustainability. Also she is currently a PhD Candidate working on research concerning the interactions occurring between agricultural practices and agroecosystem services, in organic and conventional deciduous tree cropping systems.

Research activity in the Fruit Trees and Viticulture Section of ARI encompasses methods of managing yield and quality of fruit trees and vines and optimizing at same time production cost. Research projects are established mainly at Saittas Experimental Station. The Fruit Trees and Viticulture Section according to Agricultural Research Institutes' mission conducts research aiming to create and transfer knowledge for the development of the primary sector and to solve problems at the farmer's level.

Education

- 2011-Today, PhD Candidate, Open University of Cyprus, "Investigation of the interaction between agricultural practices and agroecosystem services using environmental indicators, in two deciduous tree cropping systems –organic and conventional.
- 2009-2011, M.Sc. in Education for the Environment and Sustainable Development Frederick University, Cyprus.
- 2000-2005, B.Sc. in Agriculture, (Horticulture and Viticulture), Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Greece.

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