



Goat-farming and cheesemaking A challenge for farmers



The Friesian dairy consultants and EKcheese have joined forces to promote the development of goat farming and goat cheese production.

EK cheese is the new consultancy company from the province of North Holland. The experience has been born in the company Klaverkaas. Klaver Kaas owns one of the largest dairy goat farms in the Netherlands with 2400 dairy goats producing more than 3 mln kg of goat milk per year. The average milk production is very high at around 1300 kg milk per goat per year. This milk is processed together with milk collected from other farms in its own milk plant into a range of high quality cheese for the local and international market.

Until now the Friesian has focused on dairy development, promoting the modernization of dairy farming in various parts of the world, especially in East and Central European countries, including also small scale dairying in Asian and African countries. Together with EKcheese we now combine all the practical knowledge and expertise required to assist you to develop your modern and efficient goat business, wherever in the world this may be. Goat cheese is nutritious and healthy and we have noticed that the demand for goat cheese is rising world-wide.



High quality cheese starts with good milk. The whole cheese-chain starting with a healthy herd followed by clean working conditions, the right milk collection, milk storage and control is important for the cheese-making process. Also food storage, proper roughage production and management are crucial.

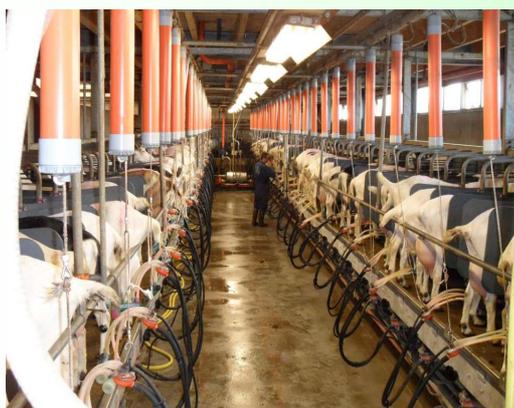


The mission of EKcheese is to support farmers in the process of cheese making with a focus on cheese from goat milk and cow milk.

The support area covers the whole chain of cheese making, from healthy cattle up to packaging and distribution of the cheese to the customers.

EKcheese supports improvement of existing cheese business and also the development of new projects.

EKcheese services



Our philosophy is to control the whole chain from healthy cattle to satisfied customers.

EKcheese can build on more than 30 years of experience in cheese making. The experience has been born in the operating company "Klaverkaas". Continuous improvement over a long period of operating mid-scale cow farms up to 350 cows and goat farming has resulted in a very efficient system of farming and cheese making. Cost-efficiency and quality control are the keywords.

For more information <http://www.klaverkaas.nl/>

EKcheese operates closely together with the dairy development company "The Friesian" www.thefriesian.nl. The Friesian is a Dutch agro-consultancy company specialized in the dairy sector with experience in more than 60 countries worldwide.

Feasibility studies

A feasibility study is an important step in the process of a new project. EKcheese uses this instrument to assess the economical feasibility of a future project. The feasibility study shows the required capital and gives a good indication of the cost of operation and the market possibilities.

New projects

After a positive outcome of a feasibility study a new project can be developed. A project covers the whole cheese making chain or a part of it depending on the requirements.

EKcheese supports the development of the project in close co-operation with the customers.

Our philosophy is to make use as much as possible of local engineering and construction companies.

Production improvement

EKcheese can execute a survey of the current processes and as a result recommend the improvements in the specific areas.



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