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Ariadne Programme



- **Session I: User requirements and priorities: The current state of the art and view of the future**
- **Session II: Work at national level on AEI**
- **Session III: Work at national level: technical issues**
- **Session IV: Work at EU and international level**
- **Session V: The link between indicators and sustainable agriculture**
- **Session VI: Issues of particular concern to Greece**
- **Session VII: Round table, the next steps**

Ariadne Statistics

- 200 registered participants
- 30 invited papers
- 5 contributed papers
- 9 poster presentations

Reflections on Ariadne

- Need for acceptable and reliable data to support decision making
- Indicators no better than the data from which they are derived
- Binding agreements need clear information
- Importance of networks in developing indicators
- Selection of appropriate data sources
- Importance of guidance to users

Reflections on Ariadne

- Integration of economic/social/environmental aspects
- Competitive vs. Multifunctional agriculture and AEIs
- Distinguish “standards” and “indicators”
- Appropriate geographic resolution
- Optimal number of indicators
- Papers make extensive use of existing data

After Ariadne

- **Papers available at**
<http://WWW.ariadne2002.gr>
- **Possibility of continuing discussion on this site**