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Q1. Name

Q2. Email address

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not answered

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not answered

Q5. Organisation name (if applicable)

not answered

Q6. Entity type

Individual

**Other (please specify)**

Retired wine merchant ( ), wine industry communications consultant ( ), wine show judge ( ) and wine columnist for . Occasional commentator (current) with historic archive of wine-industry articles 1990 to present published on my website .

Q7. Please select which EU wine geographical indication (GI) your submission is against

Prosecco

Q8. Grounds of objectionA submission against one or more of the wine GIs must be based on at least one of the four grounds of objection.

The EU GI name is used in Australia as the common name for the relevant good, including as a type or style of wine.

The EU GI name is used in Australia as the name of a grape variety, plant variety, or an animal breed.

**Q9. Please provide further details, based on the grounds of objection for each GI. (If submission based on existing trade mark please provide trade mark number. If submission based on unregistered trade mark please provide evidence of use on Australia).**

As a professional in the Australian wine industry I have observed, tasted, and consumed Australian sparkling prosecco since early this century. Throughout the Australian industry the name prosecco has been used in good faith as the name of a grape variety. I have always considered prosecco to be a grape variety and continue to believe that is the case. I personally know some of the major producers in Australia and have observed them cultivating prosecco as a variety, making wine from it and giving their wines the varietal name, often with the region of origin also appearing on the label. The OIV, a global authority, gives the name 'prosecco' for the variety used in good faith by Australian producers, as does the authoritative book (pp853–55) 'Wine grapes – a complete guide to 1,368 vine varieties, including their origins and flavours' by Jancis Robinson, Julia Harding and José Vouillamoz (Allen Lane, Penguin Books, 2012). Australian sparkling prosecco has always and consistently been marketed under the varietal name and is available under a wide and expanding number of labels, throughout Australia, from multiple producers. In my opinion preventing Australian winemakers from using the varietal name prosecco would be damaging commercially in circumstances where the industry had its origins when 'prosecco' was the globally accepted name of the grape variety, and usage has been continuous, in good faith, and in a clear understanding in Australia that prosecco is a varietal name.. To bar Australian producers from using the name 'prosecco' would prove confusing to the very large number of consumers now enjoying Australian prosecco. I am attaching photographs in evidence of the proliferation of Australian brands (intermixed with Italian versions) displayed at Dan Murphy's Majura Park Canberra on 18 April 2023. This is just one shop but indicative of the widespread use by producers and acceptance by consumers of the prosecco variety. Similar diversity can be found in outlets across Australia.

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<b>Q10. Would you like to make a second selection of EU wine geographical indications (GI)?</b>	No
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<b>Q11. Please select the second EU wine GI your submission is against</b>	not answered
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<b>Q12. Grounds of objectionA submission against one or more of the wine GIs must be based on at least one of the four grounds of objection.</b>	not answered
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**Q13. Please provide further details, based on the grounds of objection for each GI. (If submission based on existing trade mark please provide trade mark number. If submission based on unregistered trade mark please provide evidence of use on Australia).**

not answered

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<b>Q14. Would you like to make a third selection of EU wine geographical indications (GI)?</b>	not answered
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<b>Q15. Please select the third EU wine GI your submission is against</b>	not answered
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<b>Q16. Grounds of objectionA submission against one or more of the wine GIs must be based on at least one of the four grounds of objection.</b>	not answered
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**Q17. Please provide further details, based on the grounds of objection for each GI. (If submission based on existing trade mark please provide trade mark number. If submission based on unregistered trade mark please provide evidence of use on Australia).**

not answered

**Q18. Would you like to make a fourth selection of EU wine geographical indications (GI)?**

not answered

**Q19. Please select the fourth EU wine GI your submission is against**

not answered

**Q20. Grounds of objectionA submission against one or more of the wine GIs must be based on at least one of the four grounds of objection.**

not answered

**Q21. Please provide further details, based on the grounds of objection for each GI. (If submission based on existing trade mark please provide trade mark number. If submission based on unregistered trade mark please provide evidence of use on Australia).**

not answered

**Q22. Would you like to make a fifth selection of EU wine geographical indications (GI)?**

not answered

**Q23. Please select the fifth EU wine GI your submission is against**

not answered

**Q24. Grounds of objectionA submission against one or more of the wine GIs must be based on at least one of the four grounds of objection.**

not answered

**Q25. Please provide further details, based on the grounds of objection for each GI. (If submission based on existing trade mark please provide trade mark number. If submission based on unregistered trade mark please provide evidence of use on Australia).**

not answered

**Q26. Upload your supporting evidence for each EU wine GI you have selected.**

[REDACTED]

**Q27. Would you like to upload another supporting document?**

[REDACTED]

**Q28. OtherAny other information on the impacts EU GIs may have on Australian businesses or industry.**

not answered

**Q29. Is your response confidential?**

No

**Q30. Please specify the parts of your response that are confidential.**

not answered

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**Q31. Do you agree to your response being published on our website?** Yes

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**Q32. Please de-identify my response** not answered

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**Q33. Confirm that you have read and understand this privacy notice.** Yes

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**Q34. Confirm that you have read and understand this declaration.** Yes

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