

## Food & History

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'Food & History' came into being to fulfil the expectations of the fragmented community of researchers who want to find a common area of interdisciplinary dialogue and interaction. Indeed, in a spirit of openness, it aims to link this community together beyond the bounds of the strictly academic sphere. This is why it is developing a policy of collaboration with independent researchers and other professionals who are recognised for the scientific value of their work. 'Food & History' has been officially recognised by the CNRS (the French National Centre for Scientific Research) and has been ranked as 'B' ("standard international publications with a good reputation among researchers of the field in different countries") in the European Science Foundation's recent European Reference Index for the Humanities.