



International Agroecology and Global governance youth training

28th of June – 5th July 2019, Rome / Lazio region (Italy)

TRAINING AGENDA & educational material METHODOLOGY LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Friday 28 /06 **Arrival & Presentation** **Casale Loreto, Biodistrict, Viterbo**

Short session of presentation

Saturday 29 / 06 **Introduction and methodology** **Casale Loreto, Biodistrict, VT**

--- First morning session 9.00 - 10.30

Brief introduction to Schola Campesina

Brief presentation of the Biodistrict

Presentation of the training: Goals and Methodology

--- Morning second session 11.15-13.00

Presentation of the participants and their organization, focusing specifically on their experiences related to local food systems, educational system and advocacy work.

---- Afternoon 16.00-1900

Workshop in small groups on Agroecological principles of the Nyéléni Declaration

Related educational material: [The Nyeleni Declaration 2015](#)

--- First morning session 9.00 - 10.30

Introduction to the global governance of food and agriculture: Setting a clear overview of the **institutions** (FAO, IFAD, CFS, HLPE), the role of **civil society**, the achieved **outputs** to be implemented at the local level.

Focus on the **CFS** and the **CSM** and introduction to the process which led to the publication of the VGGT.

--- Morning second session 11.15-13.00 The Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land, Fisheries and Forest (VGGT)

Presentation of the role of the CSM and members organizations at the local level in the publication, the implementation and the monitoring of the VGGT.

Reflection in small groups or individually on the linkages between the VGGT, the Nyeleni principles and the local realities and initiatives of food production and distribution of the participant. Report back to the group.

Related educational material:

- [Voluntary guidelines on the responsible governance of tenure of land, fisheries and forests in the context of national food security – VGGT \(FAO, 2012\).](#)
- [People’s Manual on the Guidelines on Governance of Land, Fisheries and Forests. A guide for promotion, implementation, monitoring and evaluation. \(International Planning Committee for Food Sovereignty -IPC, 2016\)
http://foodsovereignty.org](#)
- [Putting Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure of Land \(VGGT\) into practice Guide for CSOs \(FAO FIAN, 2017\)](#)

---- Afternoon 16.00-1900

10 elements of Agroecology of FAO

Introduction to a second output: the 10 elements of Agroecology of FAO. Presentation of the process which led to the output since the first FAO symposium on Agroecology in 2014.

Reflection in small groups or individually on the linkages between the 10 elements of Agroecology of FAO, the Nyeleni principles and the local realities and initiatives of food production and distribution of the participant. Report back to the group.

Related educational material:

- [The 10 elements of agroecology \(FAO, 2018\) EN ES FR](#)
- [Strengthening FAO’s Commitment to Agroecology \(CAWR, 2019\)](#)
- [2nd FAO International Symposium on Agroecology \(2018\): Chair's summary](#)
- [Final report for the FAO International Symposium on Agroecology for Food Security and Nutrition \(2014\)](#)

Monday July 1 The global governance of food and agriculture Biobagnolese, Biodistrict, VT

--- First morning session 9.00 – 13:00

Introduction to other outputs coming from global governance processes on the topic of Biodiversity and seeds: UN CBD, ITPGRFA, UN Declaration on the Rights of Peasants and other people working in rural areas.

External speaker : Maryam Rahmanian (FAO, Biodiversity unit)

---- Afternoon 16.00-1900

Reflection in small groups on 1) the linkages between these tools and the Nyeleni principles and the local realities and initiatives of food production and distribution of the participant; 2) the potential uses at local level of these tools. Report back to the group.

Related educational material:

- [Compilation of experiences and good practices in the use and application of the Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure \(CFS, 2016\)](#)
- [ITPGRFA - International Treaty on Plant Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture \(FAO, 2004\).](#)
- [United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Peasants and Other People Working in Rural Areas \(2018\)](#)

Tuesday July 2 The global governance of food and agriculture Biobagnolese, Biodistrict, VT

External speakers: Martin Wolpod (CSM), Stefano Prato (SID/CSM), someone from Terra Nuova NGO, Famiano Crucianelli (Biodistrict)

--- First morning session 9.00 - 10.30

Introduction to the High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition (**HLPE**) and the policy recommendations which are relevant for the advocacy work at local level. Presentation of the **CSM monitoring efforts** to encourage the implementation of the HLPE outputs at the local level and make useful the work done in global processes for the effective defense and development of family farming around the world.

Related educational material:

- [Summary & Recommendations of the HLPE report on “Agroecological and other innovative approaches for sustainable agriculture and food systems that enhance food security and nutrition”](#)
- [Sustainable agricultural development for food security and nutrition: what roles for livestock? \(CFS 43 HLPE report10, 2016\).](#)
- [Investing in smallholder agriculture for food security \(CFS 40, 2013\).](#)
- [Connecting Smallholders to Markets \(CFS 43, 2016\).](#)

- [Connecting smallholders to markets. An analytical guide \(CSM\)](#).
- [Call for inputs to monitor the use and application of CFS Policy Recommendations 2019 \(CSM\)](#)

--- Morning second session 11.15-13.00

Introduction to a new policy process: “the **Food Systems and Nutrition guidelines**” of the CFS and the upcoming Regional Consultations, the role of the CSM and of the participants’ organizations and networks within the consultations.

<http://www.csm4cfs.org/working-groups/nutrition/>

Related educational material:

- [Zero draft of the Guidelines on Food Systems and Nutrition](#)

---- Afternoon 16.00-1900

Focus on the process which led to the HLPE report “Agroecology and other Innovations”. Preparation to our participation to the international event of the day after (the launch of the report) : What are the challenges? How to understand the concepts of *innovation* when linked to *agroecology*? Who are the different stakeholders? How the civil society group is getting organized to defend family farming within the process? Of such international efforts can benefit the local levels?

Reflection in small groups on the linkages between the policy processes presented during the day, the Nyeleni principles and the local realities and initiatives of food production and distribution of the participant. Report back to the group.

Related educational material:

- [Food sovereignty and Agroecology are the adequate framework to develop innovations for family farming](#) (Schola Campesina, 2018)
- [Agroecology: innovating for sustainable agriculture & food systems](#) (Friends of the Earth, 2018)

July 3 Field visit in FAO

FAO, Rome

Early breakfast and transfer to Rome

--- Morning session 9:00-12.00 (Azerbaijan room)

Meeting with FAO on the United Nations Decade on Family Farming. (<http://www.fao.org/family-farming-decade/en/>)

--- Afternoon session 14:00-17.00

Participation to the launch of the HLPE (High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition) report on *Agroecological approaches and other innovations for sustainable agriculture and food systems that enhance food security and nutrition*.

17:00-20:00 Free time in Rome

20:00 Dinner and fiesta

July 4 Closing day

Casale Loreto, Biodistrict, VT

--- First morning session 9.00 - 10.30

Working groups (4) on the ways to report the present training to everyone's organizations and effectively make the organization benefit from it.

--- Morning second session 11.15-13.00

Working groups (4) on the means to participate within the explored spaces in the future (example: withing the youth constituency of CSM, etc.)

---- Afternoon 16.00-1900

Reporting and collective discussion on the future implication of the organizations represented in the training within the global spaces of governance.

Evaluation of the training.

July 5 Return flight to destination

METHODOLOGY

Through a **horizontal dialogue** and peer-to-peer learning processes amongst participants and external speakers and a “*Dialogue of Knowledge*” between young food producers, scientists and activists, the training aims at developing organizations capacities to influence global spaces of debate and decisions on food and agriculture related topics. The final objective is to strengthen family farming worldwide and better achieve food sovereignty for all.

The training methodology consists at exploring the complex topic of food global governance through **specific outputs** as well as specific **case studies** coming from the participants. The experiences and the potential use of global tools (such as the VGGT, FAO 10 elements on Agroecology, etc.) are the basis of the learning process on which participants will build their understanding of the global institutions related to food and agriculture and strengthen the capacities of their organization to influence in those spaces.

Reflections and discussions in **small groups** will be organized every day (see agenda). The participants will be encouraged to use **visuals** and express his/her knowledge, questions, understanding and doubt through drawing and mapping.

The training will be held in an agroecological farm of the Biodistrict of Via Amerina e della Forre where all Schola Campesina’s members farms are located (5 days), allowing the participants to discover an Italian **family farm environment** and will also include a one day field visit in Rome where the participants will directly participate in an **international meeting** : the launch of the HLPE (High Level Panel of Experts on Food Security and Nutrition) report on *Agroecological approaches and other innovations for sustainable agriculture and food systems that enhance food security and nutrition*.

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