

Review activity:

Local Workshop

“Non tiriamo un PAC...co al Sud”

**Torino, Lingotto Fiere - Sala Biodiversità Oval
Lunedì 29 Ottobre ore 11:30 -13:30b**

*Within the XVI edition of Salone Internazionale del Gusto and Terra Madre 2012.
The workshop was realized in cooperation with Slow Food e CISA*

Short background:

The workshop was organized in collaboration with Slow Food within the international event Salone Internazionale del Gusto.

Focsiv and Slow Food co-operate for years on issues related to the right to food, the need for new models of production and consumption of food, which respect environment, local traditions, the specificities of territories and cultures. The common membership to the network of the CISA (Italian Committee for Food Sovereignty) reinforces this collaboration and contributes to increase the effectiveness and widespread of the different activities carried out, at national and European level.

For the 2012 edition, Salone del Gusto and Terra Madre were one only event, and it was a big news, an historic event for the international Slow Food movement, and for all the visitors coming from all over the world, and who follow the Salone Internazionale del Gusto since its first edition in 1996. The two events complete a path already traced from 2004, the year Terra Madre was born, and that has always seen them side by side in a clear and conscious choice: the world of food and gastronomy can not be separated from those who work the land, from those who transform nature into culture every day, from people who feel on themselves, on their fields and their communities the weight of ecological climatic, economic and social problems become more and more suffocating.

The event Salone del Gusto and Terra Madre 2012 has been designed and built as a large collective narration, completely open to the public (and the meetings of the Terra Madre were for the first time open to the public in this 2012 edition.). It started from the story of the people and territories to taste better, understand more, meet and exchange. The network of food communities joins the incredible heritage of the Salone del Gusto, made up of producers, cooks, Taste Workshops, educational activities, Slow Food Presidia, enriches it and brings new opportunities to the visitors, with all the classic appointments and a full conference program. The stories of the protagonists of the Salone del Gusto and Terra Madre 2012 told of how we can change the paradigm that governs this world in crisis starting from food. They showed we can do something good for our health, the environment and the production system without giving up the pleasure of food and conviviality.

That's why it was chosen as the slogan of this year "Foods that change the world." A revolutionary project, which requires a new way of thinking, the world, food, lifestyles, patterns of production and consumption, patterns of development.

Conclusion

Bring in this international event the debate on the Common Agricultural Policy of the European Union and how it affects the countries of the south, from the economic, social, environmental point of view, has been an excellent opportunity to reach not only a public of "insiders", that is people already aware about these issues, but also all those who recognize in food and everything that turns around it, agricultural policies, dietary habits, production models, biodiversity and environmental protection, central issues for the future, affecting everyone, because everyone, consumers, producers, policy-makers, can and should, with their behavior and their choices, can affect and change the future scenarios.

These issues have been discussed by a number of speakers who, representing different instances, have contributed in a very clear and effective way, to put in connection the different aspects linked, directly and indirectly, to the CAP, the right to food and the effects that European agricultural policy produces in the south countries.

Result of the activity:

Different actors have been involved in the dialogue raised through the workshop.

It has been analyzed the European Common Agricultural Policy, its Reform, its impact on the south countries, the connections between CAP and the new scarcity era and the need for a comprehensive agricultural policy, which has as its prime directive to guarantee the right to food and access to land, as decisive factors for poverty reduction.

Hence the demand for coherence between the CAP and other EU policies, so that all are addressed in a uniform manner to achieve the MDG1. The 2012's debate on the reform of the Common Agricultural Policy (CAP) have revealed a widespread support of the European Parliament to include considerations for future CAP regime's impact on the world's poorest and most food insecure people. The new global scarcity era changed in a significant way the context in which the new CAP will be included. As well as the international agriculture policies and strategies.

Main issues/topic/results, important points for further discussion

- communication on the importance of the CAP Reform process and its link with global development and production models.
- Role of agriculture in the future scenarios, and which kind of agriculture and food do we want.
- declination and simplification of the topic is fundamental to involve civil society on these issues.

Target groups: How did you reach them? Who participated? Feedback of the participants.

Representatives from Italian FOCSIV NGOs, Italian farmers associations, other third sector organizations, civil society representatives (see list of participants).