

INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP

TIME TO ACT FOR A RADICAL CHANGE

Peasant Farming and Agroecology as an Alternative to the Crisis of the Industrial Food System

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, June, 15th and 16th 2012

Address: Clube de Engenharia - Av. Rio Branco, 124 (June, 15th and 16th) and Health, Environment and Sustainability Tent in Flamengo Park (June, 16th)

This workshop is part of Peoples' Summit Program in Rio+20: for social and environmental justice. It has for purpose to denounce the severe impacts of industrial food system on the environment and society. At the same time, the workshop intends to demonstrate the importance of peasant farming and agroecology for overcoming the socioenvironmental crisis.

The workshop will mobilize international experts and farmers' leaders and will give inputs to a declaration to be presented at the plenary assembly on Food Sovereignty in the Peoples' Summit.

This event is organized by a network of NGOs and social movements in Brazil in touch with international networks and organizations.

There is no need for previous inscriptions.

Informations:

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| World Food Crisis and challenges to food sovereignty Chairperson: to be defined | | Support to agroecological transition: national public policies Chairperson: to be defined | GMO's false promises and resistance movements Chairman: Gabriel Fernandes (AS-PTA/National Campaign For an Ecological Brazil free from GMOs and Pesticides) |
| 9am to 1 pm | Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aksel Naerstad – More and Better Coalition Edith van Walsun – Centre for Learning on Sustainable Agriculture, Agricultures Network Maria Emília Pacheco – National Council on Food and Nutritional Security (Brasil) Ivette Perfecto – University of Michigan (EUA) Debaters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Via Campesina National Confederation of Agricultural Workers, Brazil | Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brasil: Jean Marc von der Weid (National Agroecology Coalition - ANA, Brazil) Cuba: Small Farmers' National Association - ANAP Filipinas: Nori Ignacio (Southeast Asia Regional Initiatives for Community Empowerment, Filipinas) to be confirmed Bolivia: Delfin Cuentas (National Council for Ecological Production, Bolívia) Debaters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Via Campesina Confederation of Family Producers Organizations of Mercosul | Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pat Mooney (Action Group on Erosion, Technology and Concentration) Pierre Vuarin (Charles Leopold Mayer Foundation for Men's Progress, França) Darci Frigo (Land of Rights, Brazil) Debaters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Réseau des organisations paysannes et de producteurs de l'Afrique de l'Ouest (África) to be confirmed Via Campesina |

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| Agriculture and environmental crisis Chairperson: to be defined | | Support for agroecological transition: international policies Chairperson: to be defined | Pesticides' impacts on health and environment Chairperson: to be defined |
| 14 às 18 horas | <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Agriculture and Climate Changes: Miguel Altieri – Latin American Agroecological Society ▪ The crisis of soil destruction: Parviz Koohafkan (Food and Agriculture Organization - FAO/UN) ▪ Struggle against desertification in Brazilian semi-arid: Luciano Silveira (AS-PTA Family Farming and Agroecology, Brazil) ▪ Agriculture and biodiversity: P.V. Sathesh (Deccan Development Society, Índia) to be confirmed ▪ Agriculture and energy: Almuth Ernsting (Biofuelwatch, England) <p>Debaters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Moisés Quispe (Intercontinental Network of Organic Farmers Organisations) ▪ Via Campesina | <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Hans Herren (Biovision, Suíça) ▪ Henri Rouillé d'Orfeuil (Centre de Coopération Internationale en Recherche Agronomique pour le Développement, França) ▪ Robert Jordan (International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements) ▪ Lin Li Ching (Third World Network) ▪ Shiney Varghese (International Agriculture and Trade Policies, EUA) ▪ Vandana Shiva (Navdanya - Research Foundation for Science Technology & Ecology, Índia) <p>Debaters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Via Campesina ▪ Elisabeth Atangana (Pan-African Farmers Forum) to be confirmed | <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Lia Giraldo (National Association of Collective Health, Brazil) ▪ National Campaign Against Pesticides and for Life, Brazil ▪ Javier Souza (Pesticide Action Network in Latin America) to be confirmed <p>Debater:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Esther Penunia (Asian Farmers' Association for Sustainable Rural Development) to be confirmed |

Promoters:

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