

SUSTAINABLE FOOD SYSTEMS FOR CITY REGIONS INTERNATIONAL HUB

Bringing together international research community and local authorities around local food challenge



With more than 66% of the world's population living in cities by 2050, guaranteeing food supply within the limits of available natural resources is one of the biggest challenges of our world.

- Recognizing the need to sensitize policy makers to the existence of alternative and sustainable food systems to feed the cities,
- Acknowledging severe gaps in the cooperation between local authorities and the scientific community on this strategic topic,
- Supporting the relevance of the contribution of research in the identification of viable alternatives to the current food system,

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IUFN is an international hub for sustainable food systems for city regions.

Bringing together international research community and local authorities around local food challenge, IUFN campaigns for the promotion of **CITY REGION FOOD SYSTEMS** approach as a relevant driver for the construction of **RESILIENT TERRITORIES AND SUSTAINABLE CITIES**, particularly in OECD countries and in Brazil, India, China and Russia.

IUFN is a non-profit organisation, governed by a Board of Directors, which relies on an Operational team and a network of International Volunteers. Our Strategic Advisory Board is composed of international experts, reflecting the multidisciplinary nature of food systems.

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MONITORING BODY

IUFN identifies, manages and disseminates information on the progress of alternative sustainable food systems for city regions in OECD countries and in the Brazil, India, China and Russia.

FACILITATOR

IUFN supports local authorities in their first steps towards sustainable territorial food systems by facilitating knowledge transfer and the creation of a common food culture among the food system's stakeholders.

THINK TANK

IUFN enhances innovation and supports decision-making through the production of a wide range of studies and state-of-the-art cross-disciplinary knowledge.

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