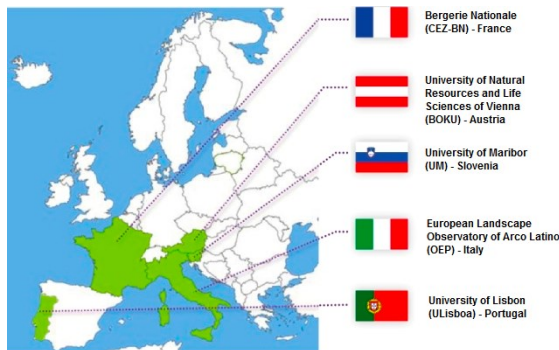


Context

The EducLocalFOOD project aims to develop and disseminate a common and innovative teaching tool (toolkit) among five partner countries (France, Italy, Portugal, Slovenia and Austria). The toolkit will be used by the teachers and trainers of agricultural vocational schools (AVET) to introduce and work on local and sustainable food systems (LSFS). The project supports the Europe 2020 strategy aiming to promote sustainable growth and therefore to protect the environment and natural resources such as soil, water and biodiversity.



EducLocalFOOD partner map

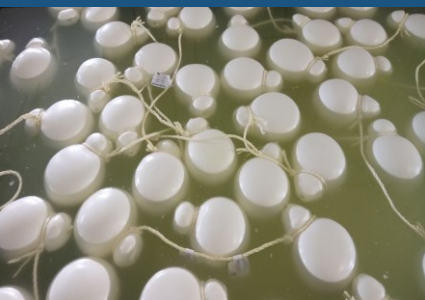
LSFS appear as a pillar in the **European common agricultural policy** because they are at the crossroad of many issues: sustainable agriculture, climate change mitigation, poverty reduction, rural development and food security.

Sustainable agriculture and local food systems reduce environmental footprint and positively effects social bonds by closely connecting food producers, processors and consumers, encouraging rural development and bringing value to farmers work.

LSFS require new skills and competences that teachers and trainers must develop in order to raise awareness and empower future producers, consumers and agricultural stakeholders. The pedagogical methods need to be based on a systemic and multidisciplinary approach relying on techniques such as observation, demonstration and case studies.



EducLocalFOOD kick-off meeting in France



Caciocavallo made of locally produced milk in Sala Consilina, Italy

The Main Objective:

To professionalize and assist teachers and trainers working in agricultural schools in order to teach local and sustainable food systems, thereby implementing the environmental objectives initiated by the European Union.



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Partner Aims:

- to improve existing agricultural training systems and the quality of the training itself
- to increase and make possible the implementation of innovative practices
- to enable the various partners to work in an international cooperative environment



Diversified production with vine, olive and pear trees in Italy

Expected results

The partners will develop and disseminate common and innovative educational tools to help teachers and trainers throughout Europe to transmit LSFS's knowledge and skills. A toolkit will be produced and will be available for free on the project website.

Three intellectual outputs will be produced:

- A diagnosis and a comparative analysis about LSFS
 - A diagnosis in each partners country and a comparative analysis about innovative pedagogical practices
 - A diagnosis of needs about pedagogical tools for LFSF teaching.
- Subsequent development of the teaching kit

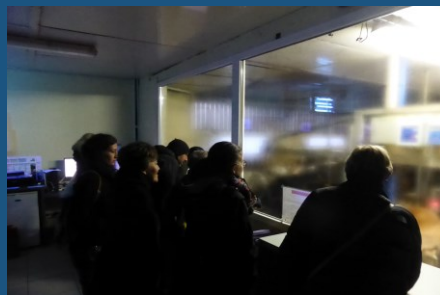


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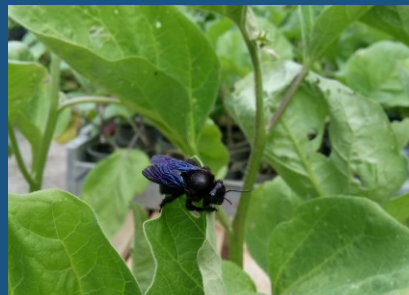
BOKU's EducLocalFOOD partner in AVET is the University College for Agrarian and Environmental Pedagogy, Vienna



Free ranging piglets in Austria



Exploring organic milk production in France



Xylocopa violacea on eggplants



Training of Trainers Meeting in Vienna