



## Melting Popote : A shared food laboratory in the Cluny region

### FRANCE – CLUNY REGION

**Starting date - expected end date** | X - X

#### Operational Group

A multi-actor territorial-based project, responding to the needs of the rural area where it is located. In the region, agricultural and food structures are small and disjoint and there is only few food processing plants or central kitchens.

The Cluny district manages the project. The project aims to turn a building into a shared food laboratory, and to delegate its management to an association created by the stakeholders.

The multi-actor project interest is to reach the financial balance thanks to an efficient plant management, taking into account the different needs of the users regarding their annual use of the place. The laboratory capacity is about 330 m<sup>2</sup>, and will process 400 to 700 kilos of products per day.



#### Lead partner: Melting Popote

#### Other partners

##### Meat and vegetable producers

About 15 meat producers (between 30 to 50 tons of meat to process per year), 6 fruit and vegetable producers (potentially up to 10 tons) interested in slicing and transforming their fresh products in vacuum-packed or canned products.

##### Restaurateurs and caterers

cooking fresh cooked dishes and buffets, and one person willing to start a biological bakery.

##### Municipalities

or local communities willing to favour short supply chains for school meals.

##### Anti food waste actors and food aid actors

to produce fresh cooked dishes by transforming supermarket products approaching their expiration date in aseptic canned food.

For example, processing fruits and vegetable alone could potentially yield 30 to 60 kilos for the 3 supermarkets of Cluny.



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