



## Integrating agroecology with the downstream: food value chains



### Calendar

Start: 01/01/2020  
End: 01/01/2024



### Budget

Total amount:  
€1,082,650.00



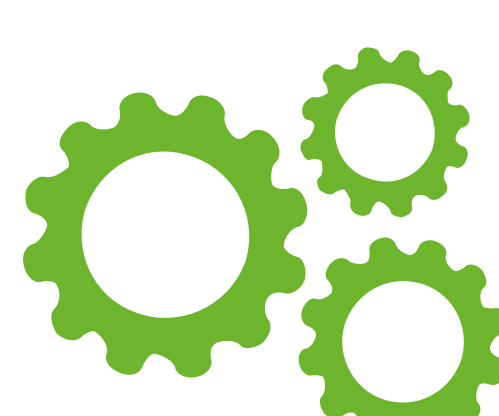
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### Other Thematic Network

#### Joint technological network “Local food - Short and local food supply chains for sustainable food”

Réseau Mixte Technologique « Alimentation locale - Chaînes alimentaires courtes de proximité pour une alimentation durable »



### Practical problem

Up-scaling of short and local food supply chains contributing to agroecological and food transition, and to territories' resilience



### Partners

50 partners, from development (CIVAM, APCA, IDELE...), research (INRA, CNRS...) and training (high schools in agriculture and in agronomy)

## Objectives of the project

i) To consolidate and animate a national exchange network to share knowledge and produce a collective expertise on short and local food chains; ii) to capitalize on current relevant and robust knowledge about these chains, to identify and prioritize the issues which have to be studied further; iii) to favour the transfer of knowledge from experts to actors; iv) to produce and diffuse tools for farmers, artisans, local authorities, to develop sustainable short and local food chains; v) to propose a critical and prospective approach of these chains

## Main activities

i) Data collection and syntheses on main issues regarding short and local food chains and their contribution to sustainability (diversity and performances of farmers' and artisans' strategies, multi-actor dynamics and impacts in territories); ii) co-production of new data on little documented issues (strategies of farms coming from long chains, consumers' profiles...); iii) exploration of emerging issues (small-scale processing, digital use...); iv) scientific and technical monitoring (regulations, scientific articles...).

## Expected results

Scientific and technical outputs (thematic syntheses, methodologies, guidelines, toolkits, action research projects...); training outputs (training packages, books of resources...); recommendations for policy-makers; networking, new national and European collaborations.

## Results so far/first lessons

In the first phase of the network (2015-2019), the collaboration between diverse organisms carrying different visions of short and local food chains, appeared effective to cover the very innovative field of short and local food chains, and to highlight their diverse contributions, and limits, regarding sustainable food; this union favored the evolution of regulations; the network facilitated the elaboration of 6 action research projects and the diffusion of scientific and technical data and tools to more than 500 people through workshops.

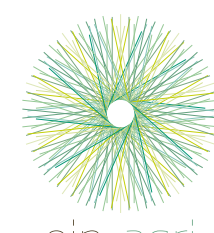
## Who will benefit

First circle: farmers, artisans, local authorities, agricultural and development organisations; 2nd circle: consumers, citizens

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