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Thematic Session 3: How can agroecology be better integrated within the value chain and with consumers, citizens and the local area?

Workshop 3.3: Governance models promoting this integration with citizens and local areas as well with the downstream and consumers

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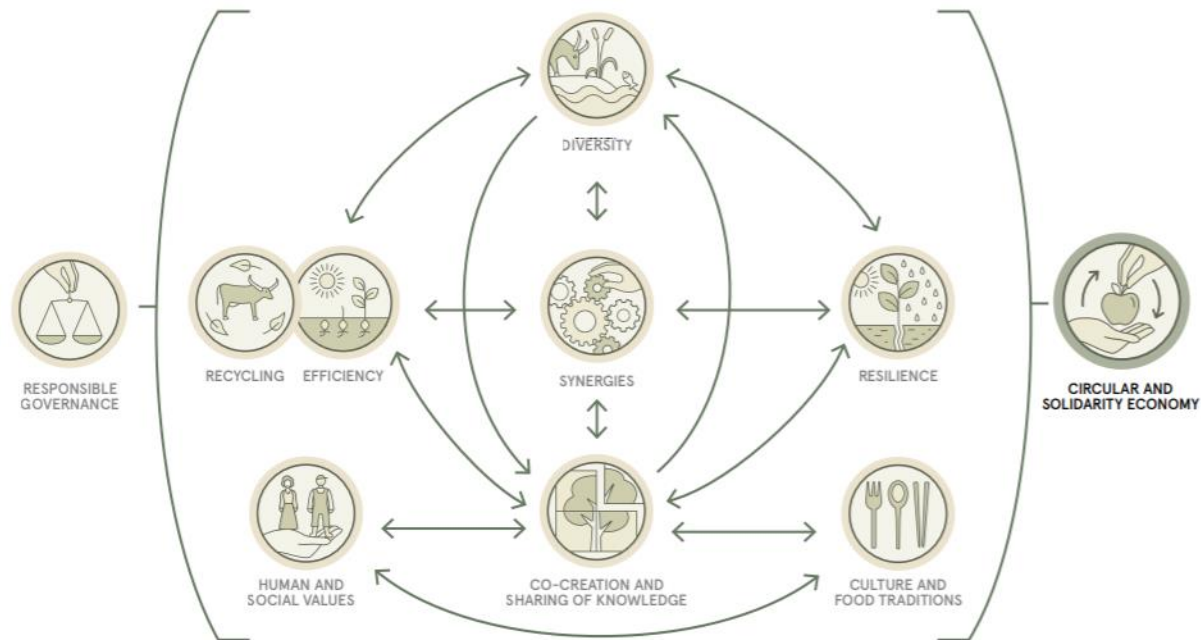


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Governance, consumers & territorial relations

- Reconnect producers and consumers
- Innovative solutions
- Inclusive and sustainable development



Opportunities

- Prioritise the needs and interests of small-scale food producers
 - Who supply the majority of the world's food
 - De-emphasizes the interests of large industrial food and agricultural systems
- Better-integrated resource management:
 - Give control of seed, biodiversity, land and territories, water, knowledge to people who are part of the food system

Opportunities

- Change power relationships - New governance structures
 - Greater participation of food producers and consumers in decision-making



Challenges

- A set of supportive, complementary public policies, supportive policymakers and institutions, and public investment
- Decentralised governance and local adaptive management of food and agricultural systems.
- Self-organisation and collective management of groups and networks from local to global
 - Farmers organisations, consumers, research organisations, academic institutions, etc.



Industrial Agriculture - Vega, Andalusia, Spain

- Rural populations abandon agriculture
- Depletion and degradation natural resources:
 - Soil
 - Water
 - Biodiversity



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- Vega de Granada Organic Farming Plan - 2002:
 - Four organizations representing farmers and agroindustry
 - Three ecological and consumer organizations.
- The revival and ONGOING PRACTISE of sustainable agriculture in the Vega
 - The total organic area (now 521 hectares)
 - The number of organic farmers (now 37)

Going forward

- How can we remedy the injustices caused by corporate power's domination in the existing food system?
- How can we empowers peasants, pastoralists, fisherfolks, indigenous peoples, consumers and other groups, allowing their voice to inform policy making from community to national and international level?

