Mauricie

Supporting the Emergence of Collective Solutions

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Forum SAT 2022 tour of regions: Online workshop
The Forum SAT 2022 (SAT for systèmes alimentaires territoriaux in French or TFS for territorial food systems in English)

FEATURES OF THE REGION

- **28% of production is dairy**
- **77 biofood processing establishments**
- **Regional “MIAM” label for products from the Mauricie**

Needs of the region

The shortage of young people for farm renewal is a major issue in the region; conditions to be improved for the development of the regional TFS include stronger measures in the areas of agricultural training, collective land ownership, land rental, crop diversification, and attractiveness. Furthermore, it is essential to support the sustainability of small local businesses and to build processing and storage capacity. Also of vital importance is to improve activities relating to food processing, storage, and delivery. Inadequate financing is another evident problem. Funding is often short-term and project-based, making it very hard for us to rise to the level of our ambitions.

PROPOSALS FOR FORUM SAT

- **ADOPT** tools and strategies for regional TFS governance that includes civic participation and key stakeholders.
- **OBTAIN** recurring funding from provincial governments for deployment of regional TFSs.
- **ADOPT** a shared vision of TFS at the provincial scale and strive for regional food autonomy.
- **MAKE** accountability procedures less onerous.

CONDITIONS FOR SUCCESSFUL TFS GOVERNANCE

In this region, it is indispensable to **include producers** in the initiative and to have a **resource dedicated to the future governance of the TFSs.** Regional governance would be based on an **intersectoral vision** and would serve to build ties among stakeholders. To this end, **visits between partners, initiatives, and public bodies** would be organized. Furthermore, **better collaboration** among stakeholders would help promote short supply chains and pooling with the goal of **building strong regional governance.**

Success stories

Initiatives

- Comité régional sur la sécurité alimentaire
- Serres solidaires
- Terre du possible
- Cultive le partage
- AgrÉcole
- La Bourgade Saint-Luc-de-Vincennes
- Partenaires du développement de l’agriculture et de l’agroalimentaire en Mauricie - (PDAAM)
- La Brouette
- Mauricie Récolte

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