







Joint Project Meeting

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Organic and bio-dynamic vegetable production in low-energy GREENhouses – sustainable, RESILIENT and innovative food production systems Code of Practice for organic food processing

ORGANIC PRODUCTS AND THEIR TASTE

Consumer awareness for a sustainable choice

In the framework of the Open Day "The LeavesEaters", researchers of CORE Organic Cofund Projects **GREENRESILIENT** and **ProORG** meet the consumers









Premise

Modern agri-food systems offer a wide range of products, but a limited diversity of fruit and leafy vegetables. Many consumers are not aware of the vegetable diversity which can be produced locally and with different organoleptic characteristics. Very often, consumers are led to choose among options which are offered on the shelves of supermarket. Moreover, consumers often lack basic knowledge and information about the way the vegetables they buy are produced and processed. Organic products are often described in terms of what they are "avoiding" (farming "without" agrochemicals), rather than what they are providing. Organic products are characterized by agronomic practices aimed to maintain soil health and fertility and provide ecological services to the agroecosystems. Transnational European projects GREENRESILIENT and ProOrg address these issues and have the common objective of increasing consumer awareness (food citizenship) about buying and consuming organic and biodynamic products. In this Open Day, organised by "La Colombaia" farm and entitled "The LeafEaters", researchers of CREA involved in the projects welcome local consumers to show them the on-going experimental activities and to guide adults and children in tasting different species of winter leafy vegetables, which are cultivated during winter in protected conditions.

Program

- 10:00 Arrival to the farm and registration
- 10:30 Visit to the experimental greenhouses and description of the compared systems of production
- 11:30 Sensorial laboratory Tasting and guide to sensorial quality of different species of baby leaves: the diversity of colour, taste and odour of local production
- 13:00 Conclusion of the day

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