



Foodlinks News

Welcome to the first edition of Foodlinks News! In this newsletter we like to update you on the activities of the Foodlinks project and its [communities](#). You can read more on Foodlinks on the [site](#) where you can also [subscribe](#) to the newsletter. Please get in touch!

Upcoming Events

12-13 July 2012
Short Food supply chain meeting
Rennes, France

11-14 September 2012
4th Foodlinks project meeting
Vitoria-Gasteiz, Spain

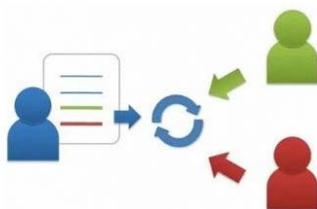
Knowledge brokerage

Foodlinks brings together different types of knowledge and experience, not only from research but also more practical and tacit knowledge from policy and civil society representatives. Read more about our knowledge brokering activities [here](#).

Past events

15 May 2012
SFSC CoP [Webinar on hygiene regulations](#)

Collaborative writing



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Both the Short Food Supply Chain (SFSC) CoP and the Revaluing Public Procurement (RPP) CoP are experimenting with writing a collaborative document. The SFSC document includes sections on characteristics of short chains, sustainability and health aspects, impacts on regulations, and organisational patterns suitable for short food supply chains. The RPP document (which is called the "Tirrenia Charter") focuses on the process of change in public food procurement. Why is change needed? What is already happening and how can we support this change?



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10 May 2012
Meeting on Public Food Procurement

This one day conference in London included presentations on projects and campaigns on public sector food procurement as well

Question on public food procurement for an urban food strategy in Orduña City

Robert Ruiz is looking for examples of urban kitchens cooking local food for public canteens within a city. The city council in Orduña in the Basque Country would like to have some examples that could be useful as a reference when elaborating their own strategy. Read more and reply to Roberto on the [knowledge hub](#) or by [email](#). Not yet a member of the knowledge hub? Please [subscribe](#)!

New CoP members



Short food supply chains CoP:

Clara Cicatiello (University of Tuscia)
[Juliana Lutz](#) (see picture) (Institute of Social Ecology Vienna)

Urban food strategies CoP:

- Sue Forrest (Warrington BC)
- Lani Trenouth (Purefood fellow)
- Jessica Jayne Spayde (Purefood fellow)
- Jess Halliday (Purefood fellow)
- Malin Sarvik

Revaluating public procurement CoP:

- Susannah McWilliam (Cardiff University)
- Tim Marsh (Heartforum)
- Dorte Ruge (Aalborg University)
- Tim Woodhead (Kingston Council)
- Elise Barron (Kingston University)
- Claire Bloomfield (Cardiff University)
- Trudy Cunningham (University of Dundee)
- Hannah Brinsden (CASH)
- Seeta Rajani (Bio Regional)
- Kathrin Birkel
- Tom Dunn (Hillingdon Gov)
- Brendan Wylie-Toal (Green Healthcare)
- Emma Hockridge (Soil Association)
- Dawn White (City University)
- Adrian Morley (Cardiff University)
- Mark Stein
- Clare Devereux (Food Matters)

as school food, and new initiatives in England and Scotland and [more](#).



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1-4 May
Agriculture in an Urbanizing Society
Keynotes, participant list, programme book of this conference are [available](#) and in the coming month's papers and presentation of working groups will be added. For photos, videos and blogs about the conference go to the [Facebook page](#).

20 April

Local agriculture and short food supply chains

This [conference](#) took place on 20 April in Brussels. Gianluca Brunori wrote a brief [summary](#) (available on the knowledge hub) on the outcomes of one of the workshops.



- [From Mount Fuji to Mount Food – Japanese approach towards local food and short supply chains](#)
- [Success Recipe – Green fast food is growing](#)
- [Turning sixty five and not slowing down](#)
- [New book: Sustainable Food Planning - Evolving Theory and Practice](#)

Story of value creation from Tukums, Latvia

“Recently we organised Skype meetings among three urban food strategies (UFS) CoP members. Apart from gaining information on the evolution of UFS in Malmö and Vienna, I got a better idea about how to structure the UFS in Tukums. For example – the strong emphasis on school catering and children education in Malmö seemed a relevant activity that could be included in Tukums food strategy. In addition, I used some methods learnt during the project, for example – speed dating, scenario building in my classes and seminars with students. Now I practice Skype meetings in communication with PhD students. Knowing these tools, at least partly, I feel more empowered and more confident to jump in with these quite simple communication technologies.” - *Talis Tisenkopfs*

Also like to become a member of one of our communities? Sign up for the [Short Food Supply Chain](#), [Revaluating Public Procurement](#) or [Urban Food Strategies](#) CoP!

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