

### REPORT OF ACTIVITY

Number of the activity	12					
Title of the activity	Seed Exchange					
Organisation	Réseau Semences Paysannes					
Size of the organisation						
A/ Staff and Board of Directors	29					
B/ Students	Between 150 and 200					
Date of the activity	14/03-15/03 2015					
Duration of the activity	2 days					
Place of the activity	Morlaix (France)					
Number of participants and partners	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 4 members of Garden Organic (UK)</li><li>• 4 members of Red Andaluza de Semillas “Cultivando Biodiversidad” (Spain)</li><li>• 2 members of Arche Noah (Austria)</li><li>• 6 members of Réseau Semences Paysannes</li></ul>					
A/ Males	8					
B/ Females	8					
C/ Students	7					
D/ Teachers	4					
E/ Companions	5					
F/ People with special needs	0					
Age range	25-70					
Stakeholders	Peasants, gardeners, technicians, animators of seed networks					
Topic of the activity	Exchange	Policy	Microenterprise	Fruit trees	Cereals	Vegetables
	x					
Type of activity	Seminar and visits on farms					
Crops related to the visit	Cereals		Vegetables		Fruit trees	All
			x			
Dissemination strategies	Information via the list of the project GROW, the web pages of the project, the web site of the RSP, and network members.					
News in press (links)						
Verification of the activity						
A/ Contents of the activity	<p><u>Friday evening (13th of march 2015)</u> Arrival to Morlaix</p> <p><u>Saturday (14th of march 2015)</u> 9.00 – 12.00: Presentation of participants 12.00 – 14.00: Lunch 14.00 – 16.00: Visit of the organic farmer-breeder and multiplier of cabbage, cauliflower and onion seeds 16.00 – 17.30: Exchange time/Discussion on farmer-breeding 17.30 – 18.00: Back to Hotel 19.00 – 20.30: Conference from researcher in National Agronomic Institue (INRA) on participatory plant breeding and european research program 21.00: Dinner and Seed Exchange</p> <p><u>Sunday (15th of march 2015)</u> 8.00 – 13.00: Visit of other organic farmer-breeder and multiplier (cow breeding and wide range of crops : cabbage, onion, salads, artichoke, chews, spinach, potato, radish, turnip, etc.) 13.00 – 14.30: Lunch 14.30 – 17.00: Exchange on CMS trouble, collective organisation (exemple of Roscoff onion) and interest of setting up a collective label (exemple of BioBreizh and the ongoing reflection of RSP)</p>					
B/ Objectives of the activity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- To increase the training of the participants in seed exchange and collective organization aspects related to breeding and multiplication of local varieties</li><li>- To share about all theses aspects with the experience of colleagues of other European countries</li></ul>					

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C/ Impacts and results	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Learning on the organization models in organic breeding, multiplication, production and sales.</li> <li>- Strengthening of local members of RSP in presentation of their work and the relationship between members (peasants) themselves and between them and RSP.</li> </ul>
D/ Obstacles encountered	Not very cooperation between participants with different languages, despite interpreters.
E/ Proposals to improve these kind of events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Find more professional interpreters volunteer (students)</li> <li>- Organize time exchange between small groups of different countries to further more cooperation and exchange between participants</li> </ul>
F/ Materials prepared for the event	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Power point presentation of organisers members of RSP (Kaol Kohz, Bio Breizh, PAIS) (documents are shared on DropBox between all participants)</li> <li>- Conference of Veronique Chable: Power point presentation of different European Research Programs results (each participants received USB flash drive with all documents about conference, and documents are shared also on DropBox).</li> <li>- Program of the workshop</li> </ul>
G/ Value-added of the activity related to a more intensive European cooperation	This activity gave opportunity to share about setting up a collective label, about CMS troubles, and about collective management; and open possibility for future collaborations with training in this topics.
H/ Brief Description of visitor groups from Project GROW	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Organic Garden (UK)</b> (<a href="http://www.gardenorganic.org.uk/">www.gardenorganic.org.uk/</a>): Pioneer association in the organic movement in the United Kingdom, being ahead in the promotion of proximity production and internal consumption of organic horticultural produce for over 50 years. The work with cultivated biodiversity is carried out from its project The Heritage Seed Library, through which it conserves hundreds of traditional horticultural varieties.</li> <li>- <b>Red Andaluza de Semillas (Spain)</b> (<a href="http://www.redandaluzadesemillas.org/">www.redandaluzadesemillas.org/</a>): This organization contend the loss of Andalusian agricultural biodiversity and of traditional peasant know-how. Its main objectives are to make society aware of the need to conserve agricultural biodiversity (promotion and recuperation of popular tradition), and to maintain local cultivation varieties in situ helping farmers to recover the agricultural biodiversity of Andalusia, and facilitating the access, cultivation and exchange of seeds among farmers.</li> <li>- <b>Arche Noa (Austria)</b> (<a href="http://www.arche-noa.at/">www.arche-noa.at/</a>): It is a network of about 10 000 members heirloom-gardeners and organic farmers. Its aims are conservation ex situ and in situ on farm, advice and trainings for gardeners and organic farmers, awareness raising, political advocacy.</li> </ul>
I/ Short description of organizing groups	<p><b>Réseau Semences Paysannes (RSP)</b> (<a href="http://www.semencespaysannes.org/">www.semencespaysannes.org/</a>) is an organization that brings together around 80 organizations (farmers' unions, artisanal seed multipliers, groups of organic and biodynamic farmers, gardeners' associations, environmental organisations, citizens and international solidarity organisations, national parks, etc.). They promote and defend cultivated biodiversity and the related fields of knowledge.</p> <p>In addition to the coordination and consolidation of local initiatives, the RSP works to promote collective management practices and protection of farmers' seeds, as well as scientific and legal recognition of farmers' practices of production and seed exchange and plants.</p> <p><b>Kaol Kozh</b> (<a href="http://kaolkozhh5.blogspot.fr/">http://kaolkozhh5.blogspot.fr/</a>) is an association member of RSP which identifies, preserve and recropping of plant populations (mainly vegetables) adapted and adaptable to Brittany soils.</p> <p><b>APFLBB</b> (<a href="http://www.biobreizh.org/">www.biobreizh.org/</a>) is an organic fruits and vegetables producers organization, member of RSP which brings together more than 60 producers. This organization ensures crop planning and sales. They create a collective label (BioBreizh) that forbids the use of seeds from CMS techniques and force to self-produce at least 10% of farms' seeds.</p>
J/ General evaluation of the activity	<p>The activity is evaluated in a positive way.</p> <p>We have to pay more attention on food served in the hostel booked.</p>

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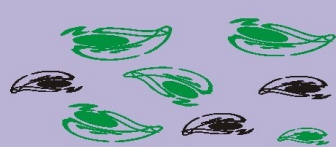
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Photographs of the activity



(Time exchange)



(Explanation on how to breed onion)

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(Visit of greenhouse crops)



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