

# Growing agricultural biodiversity: knowledge and practice in Europe

## GROW

### Report of the event

<b>Title of the activity</b>	WORKSHOP ON VEGETABLES
<b>Organizers</b>	PELITI (ALTERNATIVE COMMUNITY PELITI)
<b>Date of the activity</b>	16-18 April 2015
<b>Place of the activity</b>	Mesohori, area of Paranesti near the city of Drama, Greece
<b>Participants</b>	4 from Red de Semillas, Spain and 3 from Rete Semirurali, Italy, 4 Peliti teachers and 8 Peliti students,(and two peliti translators)
<b>Topics of the activity</b>	Organisation of Seed Exchange Events in order to support biodiversity
<b>Crops related to the visit</b>	Traditional varieties of vegetables
<b>Verification of the activity</b>	Panagiotis Sainatoudis (panagiotis@peliti.gr)
A/ Contents of the activity	<p><b>Production of traditional vegetable varieties and seed saving Workshop parallel to PELITI's Annual Seed Exchange Festival and to An International Meeting on Seeds as Common Goods</b>  <b>April 16-18 2015, Duration 3 days in Paranesti, Northern Greece</b></p> <p><b>NAMES AND SPECIALIZATION AREAS OF INSTRUCTORS</b>  <b>Costas TSINGOS</b> coordinator of the Peliti team at the area of the island of Lefkada (western Greece, humid climate). Costas is specialized in traditional ways of growing vegetables from traditional seeds. He will present his methodologies  <b>Nikos LOFTSALIS</b> coordinator of the Peliti local team in the area of Kozani (northern Greece, cold climate). Nikos is specialized in multiplying traditional vegetable seeds for the seed bank of Peliti  <b>Nikos DOMPAZIS</b>, coordinator of the local Peliti team in Komotini. Specialized in instructing how to sow and take care of seedlings  <b>Manolis VARDAKIS</b> coordinator of the local Peliti team in CRETE. Specialized in collective vegetable gardens in dry areas  <b>Manolis MILIOS</b> is a specialized vegetable grower using traditional seeds</p> <p><b>PROGRAM</b>  <b>April 15. Arrival of Participants</b>  <b>April 16. From 15hrs to 18 hrs</b>  <b>Presentations of their methodologies by Mr. TSINGOS and Mr. LOFTSALIS</b>  <b>April 17. From 14 to 18 hrs</b>  <b>Presentations of their methodologies, by Mr. DOMPAZIS and Mr. VARDAKIS</b>  <b>April 18 11.30-12.30</b>  <b>Vegetable Production from Traditional Seeds by Manolis MILIOS, vegetable grower</b>  <b>Afternoon: Departure or alternatively departure on April 19</b></p> <p><b>NOTE: GROW participants –during the activities of the Meeting for Common Goods-and the Seed Exchange Festival, had the opportunity to take additional information from vegetable growers coming from other areas who came for the meeting and/or the Festival.</b></p>

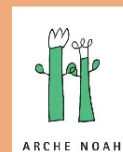
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B/ Interesting points of the activity	Presentation of Best Practices originating from different climatic zones as well as from different practical focus areas for example, experience from making a living with traditional vegetable seed produce, or from teaching seed saving and seedling handling or from reproducing seeds for a seed bank
C/ Proposals to improve these kind of events	To prepare short videos covering the interventions of the cultivator to the soil and the plant during the annual cycle of traditional vegetable seeds in different climatic areas. This will help to disseminate the existing precious agro-ecological experience.
D/ Materials prepared for the event	✓ Detailed program of the workshop

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