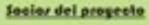


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REPORT OF ACTIVITY

Number of the activity	24							
Title of the activity	Vegetables: Organic nurseries and seed production – Visit to experiences in Murcia							
Organisation	Red de Semillas "Resembrando e Intercambiando", Red Murciana de Semillas, La Almajara del Sur.							
Size of the organisation			•					
A/ Staff and Board of	27							
Directors								
B/ Students	50							
Date of the activity	05/08-09/2015							
Duration of the activity	2 days							
Place of the activity	Murcia, Abanilla and Bullas (Murcia, Spain)							
Number of participants and partners	 1 members of Rèseau Semences Paysannes (RSP) 4 members of La Almajara del Sur (Spain) 20 members of Red Murciana de Semillas (Spain) 1 interpreter 							
A/ Males	13							
B/ Females	13							
C/ Students	23							
D/ Teachers	2							
E/ Companions	1							
F/ People with special needs	0							
Age range	24-70							
Stakeholders	Farmers, nurseryman, consumers and local seed network.							
Topic of the activity	Exchange	Policy	Microenterprise	Fruit trees	Cerea	ls	Vegetables X	
Type of activity	Visits to nurseries and farmer-seed producers							
Crops related to the visit	Cereals		Vegetables X	Fruit tree	Fruit trees		All	
Dissemination strategies	Information through the GROW project mailing list and Seed Network of Murcia, social network and project website mailing lists.							
News	Estado español (RdS): Vegetables – Organic nurseries and seed production (07/05/2015): http://www.redsemillas.info/?p=3801							
Verification of the activity								
A/ Activity contents	Friday, May 8 th 10h30-13h00. Visit to the Germplasm Bank at the University of Murcia. 14h00-16h00. Lunch in Murcia. 17h00-19h00. Visit to Muzalé nursery, specialists in wild plants and production of local fruit varieties. Saturday, May 9th 9h00. Trip to Bullas. 10h30-12h30. Visit to La Almajara organic nursery, which focuses on local varieties and collaborates with Murcia Seed Network in many activities. 13h00-14h00. Visit to Ecoprao, specialist producers of organic vegetables (local varieties) and aimed to trade in the local market. 14h00-16h00. Lunch in Ecoprao. 16h30-18h00. Visit to a communal Seed Bank in Biosegura, a producers and consumers association of ecological and organic products.							

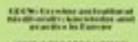


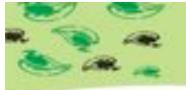










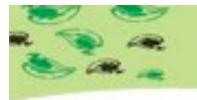


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	19h00-20.00. Trip back to Murcia.			
B/ Purpose of the activity	 To show how an ecological nursery specialized in local horticultural varieties works, as well as a traditional fruit nursery. To share how different local seed banks work, and how local seeds exchange actions are dealt with. To develop among the participants some initiatives associated with local varieties production and preservation at regional level. 			
C/ Impacts and results	 Visit to different performance sites: seed banks, seed production related groups, small local variety production businesses, etc. Awareness of organizations and groups that work for the preservation of local varieties 			
D/ Obstacles encountered	The distance between all visited sites.			
E/ Proposals to improve these kind of events	Try to increase local participation.			
F/ Event materials	Catalog of varieties by La Almajara del Sur.			
G/ Added value of the activity towards an improved European cooperation	We were able to meet a member of the Reseau Semences Paysannes (RSP) thanks to this activity. This allowed an exchange between the technical knowledge followed in France and the one followed in both Murcia and Spain.			
H/ Brief Description of the groups of visitors from Project GROW	Reseau Semences Paysannes (RSP). It is a network dedicated to the promotion and protection of cultivated biodiversity and associated traditional knowledge. In addition to the coordination and consolidation of local initiatives, Peasant Seeds Network works to promote collective management methods that protect seeds to farmers, as well as scientific and legal recognition of farmer production practices and exchange of seeds and seedlings.			
I/ Short description of organizing groups	 Red de Semillas "Resembrando e Intercambiando" (www.redsemillas.info): Coordinates GROW Project, a decentralized organization of technical, social and political character, which has worked for the past 10 years to gather efforts around the use and conservation of agricultural biodiversity at a local, national and international context. Its primary objective is to facilitate and promote the use, production, maintenance and conservation of agricultural biodiversity on farms and markets. It brings together more than 20 local seed banks networks distributed throughout the Spanish territory seeds. Red Murciana de Semillas (http://redmurcianadesemillas.org/): Local seed network acting in Murcia, linked to the National coordinating seed network Red de Semillas "Resembrando e Intercambiando" that aims to facilitate and promote the use, production, maintenance and conservation of agricultural biodiversity. Banco de Semillas de la Universidad de Murcia: Seed Bank pursuing use of local varieties through exchange. Banco de Semillas de Biosegura: Seed Bank pursuing use of local varieties through exchan 			
J/ General evaluation of the activity	The activity has received positive reviews, as it had a better distribution among both the organizations and the local associations that work towards the production and conservation of native varieties.			





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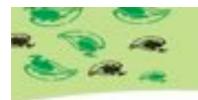
Photographs of the activity

Photo 1. Visit to Muzalé nursery



Photo 2. Visit to La Almajara del Sur nursery





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Photo 3. Visit to Ecoprao.

