LINGOT BEAN, CAST

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LL's goals

Revive the organic white bean local production, evolve the traditional Cassoulet dish

Main activities

- Positioning DIVINFOOD in the local context with the Living Lab stakeholders
- Participatory breeding and selection with gardeners
- Beans agro-ecological growing itinerary trials
- Building knowledge around Lingot Beans novel recipes
- Collaboration with education
 - •Field trials in agricultural schools
 - Links with young agronomist's degree

Current map of actors

Cantine chefs
Restaurants
Consumers

Seed producers
Few conventional bean producers
Farmers that might be interested
Cereal Cooperatives
Gardeners
Legume processors
Bio-inputs crafter

Citizens
Students
General public in celebrations
(eg fête du Cassoulet)
Confrérie du Cassoulet cultural
tradition keeper
Local gardeners associations

Municipality - Castelnaudary: services of Alimentation, Tourism (Technicians and politics)
Municipalities group- Communauté communes du Lauragais: Alimentation (Technicians and politics)
Territorial politics: PETR du Lauragais

Researchers – bean specialists in France and international
Researchers in culinary inovations
Links with other LL
Links with other projects
Global Bean Network

Syndicate of conventional lingot bean farm Regional legumes chains representative Agricultural schools



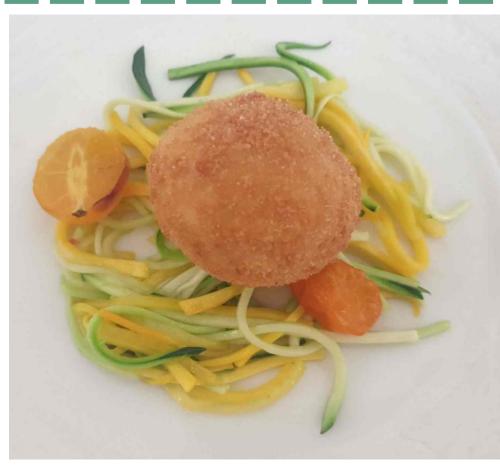
Digging local heritage and citizens perceptions



Gardeners breeding trial plots



Cooking workshop at local celebration 'Fête du Cassoulet'



New recipe test - Lingot Bean Croqueta

Lessons Learned

- Huge curiosity and common interests for local bean development
- •The current situation is conventional production, cooperatives, historical power, we'll not overtake that in the project
- The Lingot Bean isn't adapted to be grown locally
- People don't know how to cook beans
- •Recruitment: we have difficulties to engage seriously farmers

Challenges and strengths

- •Challenge: It is a very long path to have local organic white bean production
- → remain a challenge but we try hard on interesting farmers
- •Challenge: It seem hard to sell local organic bean at a fair price
- •Challenge: Find interests in a culture that is not adapted agronomically





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