



The **Confédération Paysanne** is a French agricultural union defending the principles of solidarity and sustainable farming. It support small-scale producers and strives to ensure that agricultural workers' rights and dignity are respected. It is a founding member of the international network Via Campesina.

[www.confederationpaysanne.fr/](http://www.confederationpaysanne.fr/)



La **Via Campesina** is an international movement which represents 200 million peasants, landless people, indigenous people, migrants and agricultural workers. It defends small-scale sustainable agriculture as a way to promote social justice and dignity. It brings together 164 organizations in 73 countries across Africa, Asia, Europe and America.

[www.viacampesina.org](http://www.viacampesina.org)



**Echanges et Partenariats** is a French nonprofit organisation which designs and coordinates exchange and training programs for committed young people. It aims at developing international partnerships between nonprofit organisations based in different countries in order to build an international environment based on cooperation.

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# Sustainable Agriculture & Migrant Seasonal Workers

**Building a European network  
promoting sustainable agricultural practices  
and migrant seasonal workers' rights**



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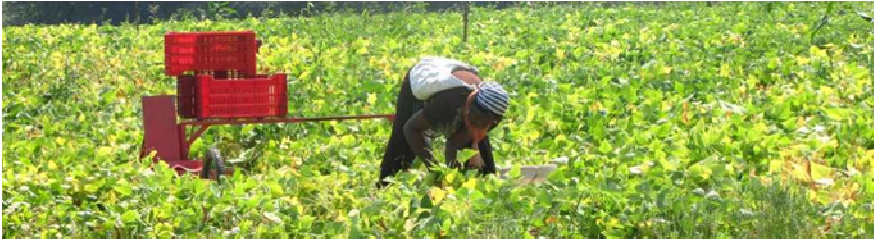


**A European program to prevent :**

- declining living and working conditions for many agricultural producers
- migrant seasonal workers' rights being denied

**An international initiative to promote :**

- local food systems and sustainable agricultural activities
- social justice and dignity for all producers and agricultural workers



## A program to promote migrant seasonal workers' rights and sustainable agricultural practices in Europe

The EU Common Agricultural Policy leads to increasingly **intensive and concentrated agricultural production**. This agro-industrial model speeds up the disappearance of small-scale agriculture and requires a seasonal and mainly migrant workforce.

**Migrant workers' rights violations** have been documented across European and Mediterranean countries. Current legislation is insufficient to prevent these abuses. It requires **coordinated action** to be taken **at the European level**. This is why the program "Sustainable Agriculture and Migrant Seasonal Workers" was set up in 2006.

It is crucial to **reveal** the living and working conditions faced by those who migrate and to **support** them to mobilise. We refuse to accept a system of cheap agricultural products on the basis of low wages and rights violations.

This program is based on **collaborations** between Confédération paysanne (an agricultural union member of Via Campesina) and host organisations in various European and Mediterranean countries.

**Since 2006**, dozens of volunteers went to meet women and men, peasants and workers, in **Germany, Italy, Morocco, Palestine, Poland, Romania and Spain**.

**In 2014**, we will gather facts and meet potential new partners in **France, Greece, Portugal and the United Kingdom**. We aim at leading collective actions and building a **network** to promote migrant seasonal workers' rights and sustainable agricultural practices.

