



Agrobiodiversity and the transition to agroecological food systems

31st of August – 10th of September 2022

In Galicia, Spain

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Intro

Welcome to the Agrobiodiversity Summer School 2022 participant brochure! Here you will find all the information you need to prepare you for our course together.

In this Summer School, you will learn about the contribution of various aspects of agrobiodiversity to the sustainability and resilience of food systems. We will be learning and working in plenary, as well as in small, international groups and in collaboration with local stakeholders. After this course, you will be able to identify different aspects of agrobiodiversity, describe the impact of ecological, economic, social and political aspects and drivers of agrobiodiversity and to develop innovative, creative and scientifically sound solutions for designing locally adapted and resilient land use systems through improving their agrobiodiversity. So you see, you will have much to discover during our 10 days together!

On the 31st of August 2021, we will kick off our time together in the beautiful city of *Santiago de Compostela*, where we will be based for the first part of the Summer School (31.08. - 03.09.22). Our sleeping accommodation is located at Residencia Universitaria Burgo das Nacións (<https://www.usc.es/en/servizos/sur/residencias/burgo/>). For the studying part we will be based in the Fontán building, in the City of Culture of Galicia, where the Interuniversity Research Center in Cultural Atlantic Landscapes (CISPAC) is located (<https://cispac.gal/en/home/>). There will be a bus taking us from one accommodation to the other.



The left image shows the old town of Santiago de Compostela, the right image is the Fontán building.

For the second part of the Summer School (04.09. - 07.09.21) we will transfer to the town of *Ribadeo*, before travelling back to Santiago for the last three days of the course. In Ribadeo we will stay at the Pedro Murias Farm, an old agrarian school founded with money from Cuban emigration in the early twentieth century.



The left image shows Ribadeo, the right image is the Pedro Murias Farm building.

In our Summer School group, we will speak English and we ask you to stick to this as well to make sure everyone is included in the conversations. During the excursions we will often meet local actors who are not necessarily proficient in English. In this case, there is always someone who will translate to English.

From the 1st until the 10th of September breakfast, lunch, dinner and some snacks will be provided (no dinner on the 10th).

If – after reading the brochure thoroughly – you still have open questions and you think they might be relevant for all participants, please post them on Moodle in the chat ([Exchange platform for all participants \(zhaw.ch\)](#)):

 Exchange platform for all participants

In this forum you can ask and discuss any questions you might have with the other participants and with us coaches.

Otherwise, do not hesitate to contact us by email (gof.iunr@zhaw.ch).

Programme

On the following page you can find an overview of our Summer School programme. Each evening we will present the programme for the next day in more detail and tell you what to expect and how to prepare. You are expected to participate in all parts of the programme. And don't worry, while they are not indicated in the programme, there will of course be breaks throughout.

While we are in Santiago, breakfast is at the Residencia Universitaria Burgo das Nacións from 8-8:45am. At 8:45am, please be ready to take the bus to the Edificio Fontán.

A note about the different colours in the programme: **Green** blocks indicate that we, the coaches, will guide an input. **Blue** means that you, the participants, have to work on or present something. Finally, **yellow** stands for excursions.

We will tell you everything about the excursions once the Summer School starts, but here is a quick overview:

- Excursion 1: Laiño farm
- Excursion 2: Baroña
- Excursion 3: Arqueixal
- Excursion 4: El Cabillón
- Excursion 5: Fadegas
- Excursion 6: Ostras del Eo
- Excursion 7: Fabas de Lourenzá

31/08/2022 Wednesday	01/09/2022 Thursday	02/09/2022 Friday	03/09/2022 Saturday	04/09/2022 Sunday	05/09/2022 Monday	06/09/2022 Tuesday	07/09/2022 Wednesday	08/09/2022 Thursday	09/09/2022 Friday	10/09/2022 Saturday
Santiago de Compostela				Ribadeo				Santiago de Compostela		
Breakfast										
	Course Framework by Bernadette Oehen and Roman Grüter	Agroecology and gender by Stefania Barca	Excursion 3	Free day	Excursion 4	Local-based Agroecological Food System & biodiversity by Emilio Carral	Eoalimeta by Adrian Gallero	Teamwork	Teamwork	Teamwork presentations
	Input Agrobiodiversity and European Policy by Manuel Gonzalez	Excursion 1			Excursion 5	Excursion 6	Excursion 7			
	Who is who? Introduction				Excursion 2	Teamwork	Teamwork			Excursion 7
	Intro Local context by David Soto									
Lunch										
	MCS presentations	Excursion 2	Free day	Free day	Teamwork	Teamwork	Excursion 7	Teamwork	Teamwork	
	Intro to tasks and team cases				MCS presentations	MCS presentations				
	Teamwork	Boat trip					MCS presentations			
	Reflection	Reflection			Reflection	Reflection	Reflection			
Informal welcome meeting / Apéro	Dinner									

Getting there and back

We are so happy to be able to hold this Summer School in person after all these years of online meetings! It will be great to have you all together in beautiful Galicia, now we just need the weather to cooperate...

Arrival

The meeting point on the 31st of August 2022 is:

Location: Residencia Universitaria Burgo das Nacións
Street: Av. do Burgo das Nacións
Postcode: 15782
City: Santiago de Compostela
Google Maps: <https://goo.gl/maps/uLUZ18UoDaKkpkBZ7>

You should **arrive on the evening of the 31st of August**, so that we can start timely on the 1st of September. If you arrive before 6pm, you can place your luggage in the accommodation: Just check in at reception and they will tell you which room is yours (most rooms will be shared). At **6pm**, there will be an informal welcome gathering at the accommodation with an apéro. It's no problem if you arrive later.

Departure

The programme will end on the 10th of September 2022 after lunch – around 2pm, at the Fontán building.

Location: Edificio Fontán, Cidade da Cultura de Galicia
Postcode: 15702
City: Santiago de Compostela
Google Maps: <https://goo.gl/maps/yxHR3dV9ycBy65pu8>

Galicia Tips

In the following you can find some information about Galician customs:

- ! If you have any kind of emergency in Spain, you can call 112 (even with a foreign SIM card). This will connect you with the police centre, they will guide you to the appropriate service.
- ! In Spain we use Euros, you will most probably not be able to pay with other currencies. Most places have card readers, but in some cases, only cash is possible.
- ! In Spain plugs are type J, the standard voltage is 230V and the standard frequency is 50Hz, so you might need to bring an adapter.
- ! Galicia has two official languages: Spanish and Galician. Most people know English, especially in a travelling context.

Mini Case Study Presentations

You will have the opportunity to present your mini case study (MCS) to the other participants and the coaches during the Summer School. For this we asked you to produce a poster because presenting your research to the general public is a relevant skill for young researchers and professionals. Below you can find your time slot (10 minutes each) – they have been assigned randomly. Your presentation should be 5 minutes long and is followed by a discussion of at least 5 minutes, where the other participants can ask you questions. For your presentation you should use only the poster and no additional power point presentation.

For the poster presentation you should consider the following:

- You have 5 minutes for your presentation. Prepare an oral summary that has a clear story line and highlights the main points of your MCS - **practice sticking to the time limit!** During the presentation, point to the relevant parts of your poster so the audience knows where to find more information later.
- You will have another 5 minutes for questions and answers. Make sure you are ready to answer possible questions confidently and know how to deal with difficult questions that you may not be able to answer fully.
- Although some of you might need to reduce the information on the poster, others may even need to add to the amount of information. However, for your poster presentation, please focus on the most important message you want to communicate based on your mini case study.
- Please keep in mind that posters also function as an instrument to inspire discussion of your work with other interested people.

Here are a few additional tips for the poster presentation:

- Follow a storyline (red thread) and use transitions between sections.
- Turn to the audience and make eye contact.
- Stand in a good place in relation to your poster, you can also change your position during the presentation.
- Stand on both feet, relax and do not move too much.
- It is better to point with your hand to illustrations/parts of your poster than to use a laser pointer.
- Give take-home messages, do not present the whole project.
- Be prepared to answer questions.

The coaches will evaluate your presentation, and you will have the chance to clarify any feedback questions you might have in the evenings.

Time slots

Thursday 01.09.2022, 2-3pm	Saturday 03.09.2022, 5-6pm	Monday 05.09.2022, 4-6pm	Tuesday 06.09.2022, 4-6pm	Tuesday 06.09.2022, 4-6pm
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		Virginia	Laura	Manca
		Katja	András	Maria Valentina

Contacts

Here's a list and contact information of all the people that will be part of the Summer School. Naturally, we ask you not to share any of this information outside the Summer School and respect everyone's privacy. If you find any mistakes, please let us know!

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