



Demonstration garden – Permaculture in action

Place: Demonstration garden at AGRA 2016 fair in Gornja Radgona, Slovenia

Time: 23. 8. 2016 at 13.00 h

Training course duration: aprox. 3 hours

Target group: Advisors of Farmers Advising Service of CAFS (future trainers).

Objectives:

- To promote the approaches of agroecology to advisors of FAS by CAFS
- To understand what AE knowledges are and how they fit into development of rural space management including social interaction in the countryside.
- To understand the need of validation and incorporation of traditional approaches and local knowledges.
- To enable personal experience on some aspects of agroecological knowledge transfer
- To introduce interactive and innovative approaches into advisors work.

Description

The group will be formed from interested members of advisory service with motivation after the presentation of SAGITER project in the frame of the day of CAFS at AGRA Fair. The visit to demonstration gardens of AGRA in G. Radgona and meeting with the facilitator of Permaculture association of Slovenia.

Introduction of participants and facilitator

Visit to the demonstration garden with introduction to permaculture philosophy demonstration garden, connecting theoretical approaches to permaculture solutions seen on site.

Witnessing the technique of introducing, explaining and transmission of specific knowledge connected to permaculture systems.

Motivate the group to put questions, comments and present their personal opinions on the equal ground. Guide them to differentiate their own experience and conception of knowledge acquisition

Demonstrate the situation where trainer has an equal position to trainees which enables the transfer of knowledge in both directions.

Encourage group members to summarize their experience on demonstration garden and transfer it on personal and/or professional level

Planing:

13.00 Gathering at the site of Demonstration garden

13.05 Introduction by the host and presentation of group members

13.15 Introduction to permaculture practices on the demonstration garden

14.45 Discussion

15.00 Lunch together (open talk about permaculture, the use of demonstration garden in transfer of knowledge, the itinerary of the workshop, how to use it in the advising and personal reminiscences to experience).

16.00 (cca) Short summary and conclusions

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