

Project description:

“Lifelong learning for regional sustainability – Food security and climate change as challenges for learning regions in times of economic crisis”

Planned duration of the project: 1.9.2010 to 31.08.2013

Location: Border region of Austria and Czech Republic

Organisation: Südwind Entwicklungspolitik Niederösterreich

Project partner: Südwind is searching project partners from Czech Republic (Organisations, Municipalities,...)

Project Content:

The main subjects of this project are food security and climate change. The project wants through targeted education activities, to inform about the importance of regional agricultural production both for domestic as well as for global food security and for global climate change. The project activities will be carried out at three levels: knowledge (background and basic knowledge about the main themes of the project: regional sustainable agriculture, food security and climate change), understanding (regional and global contexts) and personal action (implementation within local communities). In this connection especially the consumption of agricultural products from their own region (regional, organic and seasonal products) will be encouraged.

Project activities:

Training seminars for environmental managers and multipliers to sustainable agriculture and regional development, trips to local farms in Austria and Czech Republic with information about local agriculture, activities in local municipalities, workshops for students, developing a travelling exhibition for young people about food security, school partnerships, a school competition,...

Target groups:

Employees of municipalities, schools, universities, multipliers, local organisations, interested population...

Objectives:

The aim is to create through specific training courses (for communities, schools and multipliers) a conscious buying behaviour in favour of local products. Thus, the aim is to strengthen regional economic factor. The border region will be encouraged and revived.