Developing successful food security projects around and in cities

Drawing upon extensive research in relation to Food Land Belts in Belgium and Quebec, and a conceptual framework that identifies the conditions for success of Food Projects including Food Security Projects, this workshop asks participants to focus their attention on Food Security Projects that they are aware of and discuss examples using the conditions for success that will be presented at the beginning of the workshop. The workshop will also discuss examples where the conditions for success have not been met and participants will be asked to discuss what they consider to be the most important conditions for success and how they can be put in place and change the status of such Food Security projects.

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