

## INFO

### REGISTRATION

Please register until 31 March 2020 on our [events page](#). Limited places provided on the basis of "first come - first served".

Participation is free of charge.

### VENUE

Impact Hub Bern, Loft, 5th floor  
Spitalstrasse 28, Bern,  
<https://bern.impacthub.net/>

### EVENT ORGANISATION

This r4d Lunch is co-organised by the r4d programme and Biovision.

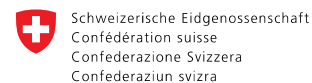
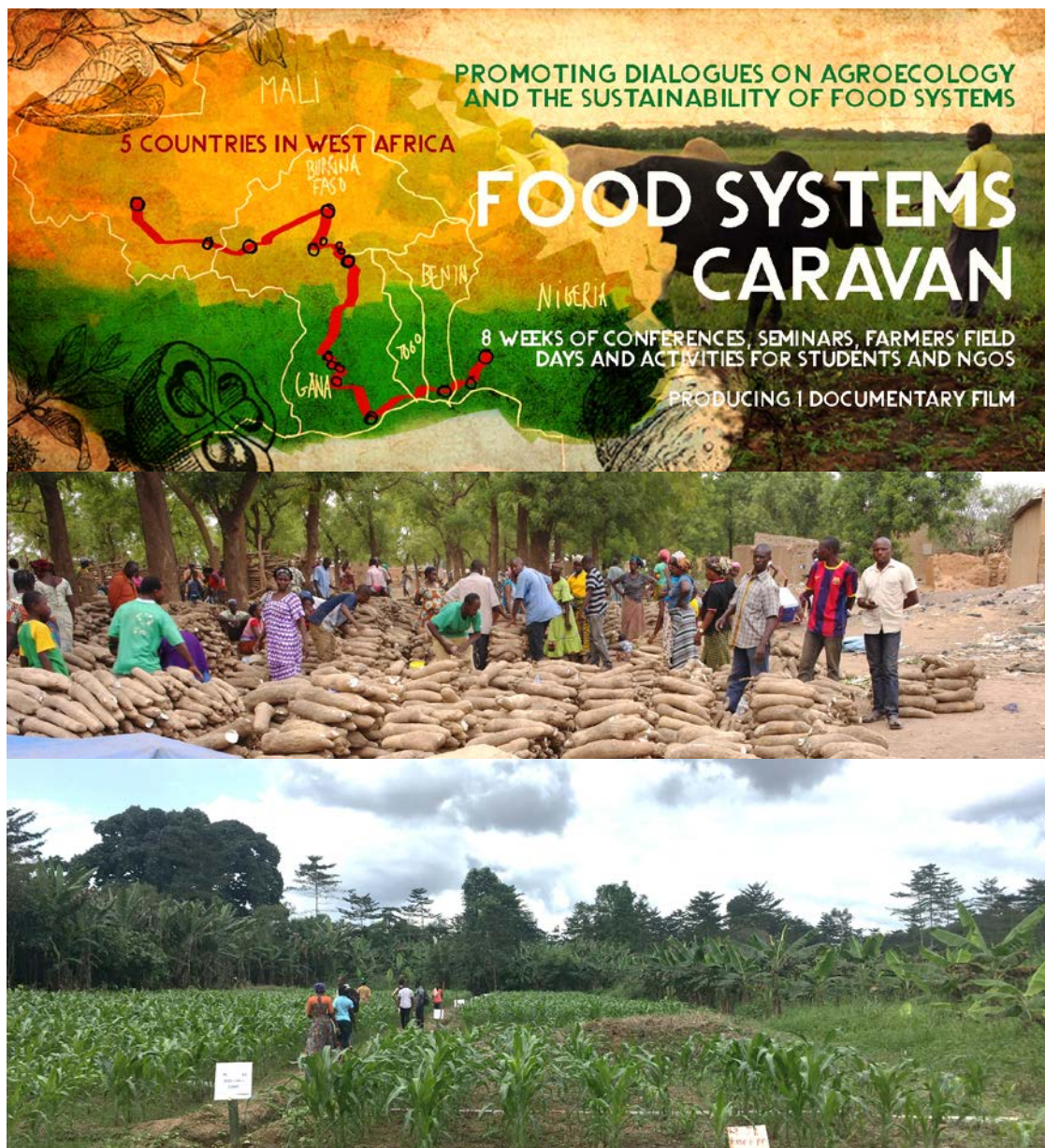
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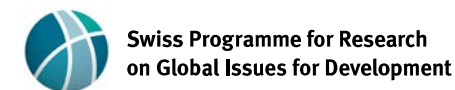
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### INPUTS

- > Fernando Sousa, FiBL, lead of Food Systems Caravan, r4d project Building Soil Fertility
- > Sara Correia, independent filmmaker, documentarist of Food Systems Caravan
- > Matthias Geck, Biovision, Agroecological Research for Development



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## #agroecology-works!

## Financial flow analysis AgR4D

## Documentary pre-screening "Food Systems Caravan West Africa"

r4d Lunch

7 April 2020, 12-14h

Impact Hub Bern



# Revisiting agroecology

**The systemic nature of agroecology (AE) and its contribution to multiple SDGs are among the outstanding arguments for AE. But skepticism prevails regarding its economic viability.**

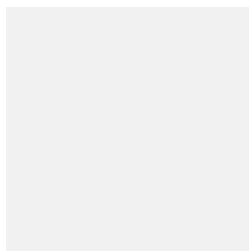
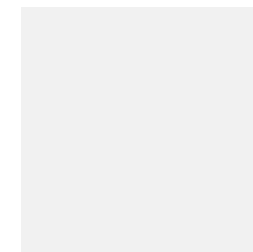
Donors and implementers alike call for research that demonstrates the productivity and economic viability of AE on a larger scale. The study “Swiss-Funded Agricultural Research for Development (AgR4D) – Dawn of an Agroecological Transition?” sheds light on the money flow and provides interesting recommendations for strengthening AE.

The Food Systems Caravan West Africa put agroecology and systems thinking at the core of its approach. It was on tour from September to November 2019 and provided a unique opportunity of moving a coordinating multimedia team along the road from Bamako, Mali, to Ibadan, Nigeria, where r4d partner institutions and field sites were present throughout. The team documented ongoing research activities, organised events and promoted a cross-project and cross-country learning process. From the Food Systems Caravan emerges a documentary targeting interesting stakeholders in the food system as well as the general public.

## **BECOMING PART OF THE CO-CREATION PROCESS**

By joining the r4d Lunch you have the opportunity to:

- get informed about fascinating research and new initiatives in agroecology and food and nutrition security;
- be part of a pre-screening of an early version of the documentary and provide comments;
- network for a sustainable transformation of food systems;
- disseminate your r4d Lunch take-away messages into your own networks.



## Agenda

**WHERE** Impact Hub Bern, Loft

**WHEN** Tuesday, 7 April 2020, 12.00-14.00h

From	Vegetarian Lunch Buffet
11.45	
12.00	WELCOME and CONTEXT Claudia Zingerli, r4d programme
12.10	STRENGTHENING AGROECOLOGICAL RESEARCH FOR DEVELOPMENT Matthias Geck, Biovision
12.30	FOOD SYSTEMS CARAVAN DOCUMENTARY PRE-SCREENING Fernando Sousa, FiBL, and Sara Correia, filmmaker
13.30	DISCUSSION and QUESTIONS
13.50	NEXT STEPS and CLOSING

NB: The room is booked until 15.30h for optional follow-up and debriefing.

Event language: English

Other languages: German, French

An event contributing to dialogue and action for the 2030 Agenda of Sustainable Development, particularly Sustainable Development Goals SDG15 Life on Land, SDG12 Responsible Consumption and Production, SDG2 Zero Hunger.