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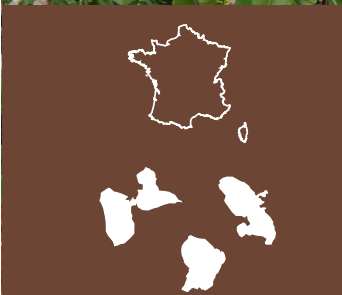
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- Towards a Bio-Economic Development of Caribbean Countries

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The 52nd congress of the CFCS will be held in Guadeloupe from July 10th to 16th. This event is expected to bring together 250 to 300 congress attendees from the Dutch-, English-, French- and Spanish-speaking countries of the Caribbean Region, Central and South America and the United States. Attendees will also come from Europe, Africa and Asia.

Scope

We aim to share regional experiences and foster a collective strategy of modernization of agriculture and food sectors, while placing the challenges of agro-ecology and bio-economy at the heart of the debates.

At the international level, this 52nd congress of the CFCS aims to further strategic avenues for the development of agriculture and food production in the Caribbean.



A local organizing committee

With people from the research sector and the territorial assemblies -the Guadeloupe Regional and Departmental Councils- the Chamber of Agriculture of Guadeloupe, Network of Innovation and Agricultural Transfer (RITA), the Synergile cluster, backed up with Capenergies, and the Institute for French Caribbean Cooperation (ICFC).

Scientific and technical sessions :

Session 1 : Agroecological farming systems, stakeholders' visions and practices

Agro-ecological farming systems (as diversified farming systems) are a promising prospect worldwide and particularly in the Caribbean which possess assets for their implementation.

Session 2 : Pathways to a caribbean bioeconomy: Innovative technologies for agroprocessing and green chemistry.

Local food agricultural production must be further developed to reduce the damaging impacts of food import, carbon footprint and vulnerability of the region and improve health and people well-being.

Session 3 : Potentialities of agroecological farming systems for mitigation and sustainable adaptation of farms to global change in Caribbean small islands.

This session aims to shed light on the conditions that reinforce the viability of agrosystems in small island territories. The session aims to question the potentialities of mitigation and adaptation of agriculture to global changes and point out substantial transformations of agriculture by taking into account farmers' practices (innovative, environmentally friendly, adaptive) and their level of commitment (individual and/or collective).

Forums « Agroecology, bio-economic innovation, and public policy”.

Farmer's Forum : « Agricultural innovation systems in the caribbean: the way forward to climate-smart systems».

Forum's policy makers : « How bioeconomy may be a vector of socio economy and environmental development in the Caribbean: basis for roadmap».

Field trips will complete sessions and forums to allow congress members to appreciate the potential of Guadeloupe.

