

# Healthy People | Healthy Places | Healthy Planet

## Integrating food systems into the Planning Process



### 2010 World Town Planning Day Online Conference

DATE: November 8 & 9 2010

This conference will be conducted completely via the internet as part of efforts to reduce the carbon footprint resulting from presenter/participant travel.

### CALL FOR PROPOSALS/SPEAKERS

There is more than enough food on the planet to feed all its inhabitants, yet the distribution of food and availability of healthy food is uneven. This results in a range of outcomes from starvation to over-eating, from malnutrition to obesity.

The food system involves processing, distribution, consumption, and waste management. The provision of food is an essential element of our community, as important as shelter and water. Yet food rarely appears on the planning agenda. There is little consideration of the relationship between land-use, environmental quality, transport systems and energy use. How should planners consider the food system to create healthy people, places and planet?

Proposals are sought from around the globe for speakers to share examples of best practice and promote discussion on the importance of integrating food systems into planning. What lessons can others learn from your experience?

We suggest themes below as a guide, but will be glad to receive proposals on any relevant and related theme.



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#### Food Production – what, how, and at what cost to our environment?

How to make and keep the food system sustainable? | Enhancing biodiversity, reducing mono-culture (meat production is the largest land consumer) | Managing scarce resources and growing world population | Sustainable resource use | Programs to help in the fair distribution of food to the needy.

#### Connecting Food to Place – the relationship between food and our built environment

How to feed megacities properly | Food strategies for cities | City agriculture/rooftop farming

#### Distribution of food – globally, locally

Food allocation: A billion people eat too much, a billion people go hungry | Reducing food miles

#### Healthy Consumption – how can planning influence the health of our communities?

Connection between people and food | Obesity and planning (provision of cycle lanes to schools, discouraging fast-food outlets...) | Food safety

#### Planning approaches to food production and allocation

Green cities and green belts | Multifunctional land use to enhance food production / allocation locally | Contrasting urban sprawl – rural/urban planning | Community involvement | Natural resources and waste management in urban contexts | Innovative macro and micro planning approaches and responses | Water management systems and cycles

### SUBMISSION

DEADLINE: 31 August 2010

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