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BALANCING FOOD HERITAGE, HEALTHY DIETS AND PLANETARY RESOURCES

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OPEN CALL

The European Research Group SYAL and the University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro (UTAD) invite you to propose papers for the 9th World Conference on Localized Agri-Food Systems (SYAL). The conference will be organized by the Centre for Transdisciplinary Development Studies (CETRAD) of the University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro and held in Vila Real, Portugal, on the 14th, 15th and 16th of November 2022. The new challenges faced by the global food production system, with the need to protect the environment and promote sustainable development, are an opportunity for alternative and localized agri-food systems. The potential contribution of localized agri-food systems to rural development by activating local resources, promoting economic

development, social cohesion and counter-acting the demographic impact of agricultural modernization, has also increased their political relevance. Research has addressed various aspects of the relationship between SYAL and food quality such as geographical indications, as well as territorial, organizational and cultural issues, but there are still many unanswered questions and theoretical gaps to fill. We welcome all topics related to localized agri-food systems, including production approaches, consumers' behavior, food heritage strategies, alternative and sustainable food systems, food innovation, the role of institutions and local organizations, markets, gastronomy, health and nutrition challenges, and the relationship with territorial development.

Short papers: 3 pages maximum, with the following model: Title, Name of authors, Keywords; Introduction; Theoretical frame and organising concepts; Results; Conclusions; References.

Abstracts and papers should be submitted in English, in the website created for this congress and available in the link: **ixconferencesyal.utad.pt**

In this website we will put more information about the rules and templates that must be used for submitting the abstract and paper.



ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

University of Trás-os-Montes and Alto Douro (UTAD)

Centre for Transdisciplinary Development Studies (CETRAD)

KEY DATES & DEADLINES

- Submission of Abstract	30 April
- Notification of acceptance	30 May
- Submission of final version	15 September
- Open for registration	1 June
- Final data for registration	30 September

SESSIONS

Papers must address one of the following topics:

Topic 1.

Food production and consumption: trends, public policies and social movements;

Topic 2.

Territorial governance, actors networking and food heritage strategies;

Topic 3.

Environment, agro-ecology, and the challenge of sustainable food systems;

Topic 4.

Innovation, markets changes and gastronomy facing health and nutrition challenges.

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REGISTRATION FEES

	Before 30th Aug	Before 15th Oct
Regular	200 euros	250 euros
Students	50 euros	50 euros

HOW TO ARRIVE TO VILA REAL

Arriving by air to Porto Airport (Distance to Vila Real: approx. 100 km)

We generally advise our guests and visitors to travel by air to Porto Airport.

From the Airport to the city center take the metro to “Campo 24 de Agosto” station (about 30 minutes), and then the “Rede Expressos” bus line from Porto to Vila Real (about 10 euros, 1h.15). The way to the bus station is well the indicated in the metro station.

Alternatively, you can take a taxi to the Porto “Rede Expressos” bus station (about 20 euros, 20 minutes) or rent a car to go directly to Vila Real. A taxi to Vila Real will cost 100-120 euros.

Arriving to the bus station in Vila Real, if the hotel is in the center, you can walk (maximum 15 minutes), or alternatively take a taxi.

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