



# Innovations for Building Resilience in Food Systems

**Workshop**

**Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 | 09.00 – 17.00**

**ETH Zurich, GEP/Alumni Pavillon, Leonhardstrasse 34**

## Innovations for Building Resilience in Food Systems

Although resilience is currently a “buzz word”, it has many definitions and understandings and has only very recently been applied to the analysis of food systems.

The World Food System Center at ETH Zurich has established a flagship research project on the topic of resilience in food systems, led by Prof. Johan Six. This project has taken a broad perspective of resilience, considering the building up of the capacity for a food system to recover from a shock, all along the food value chain, including a broad range of stakeholders considering social, economic, and environmental dimensions.

In the framework of this project, a collaboration was established between the United Nations Food and Agricultural Organization (UNFAO) and the Swiss Federal Office for Agriculture (FOAG). This collaboration aims to identify, discuss and disseminate tools and innovations

for building resilience in food systems through joint research activities and an exchange platform.

This workshop is being organized in the frame of this collaboration and aims to:

- bring together a range of food systems practitioners interested in the applying the concepts of resilience building to understand the potential of this approach.
- share the latest knowledge, innovations, tools and best practices.
- compare experiences in different contexts (north vs south).
- identify research gaps and discuss policy implications of the findings to date.

The World Food System Center is a competence center at ETH Zurich that supports multi- and cross-disciplinary approaches to addressing the challenges confronting the world food system. We do this through research, education, and outreach activities that contribute to sustainable food and nutrition security.

This workshop is organized in collaboration with the Swiss Federal Office for Agriculture and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

# Program

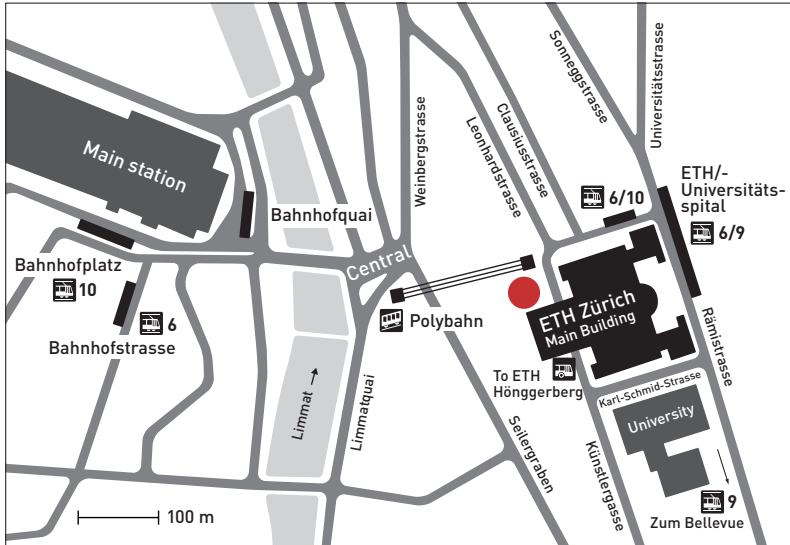
- 09.00**      **Welcome**  
(Prof. Johan Six, ETH Zurich)
- 09.10**      **The Concept of Resilience in Food Systems**  
A policy perspective (Prof. Bernard Lehmann, FOAG)  
A research perspective (Prof. Johan Six, Dr. Jonas Jörin, ETH Zurich)
- 09.50**      **Lessons From the Field**  
Examples of the FAO approach on resilience to climate change and agroecology (Rémi Cluset, UN FAO, AGP)
- 10.05**      **Workshop Introduction**
- 10.20**      **Coffee Break**
- 10.40**      **Workshops**  
Local and international case studies on innovations, tools and lessons learned
- 12.30**      **Lunch**
- 13.30**      **Workshops Continued**
- 15.30**      **Coffee**
- 15.45**      **Policy Implications**  
(Prof. Johan Six, Prof. Bernard Lehmann)
- 16.15**      **Wrap Up and Close**  
**Optional Apéro**

**Registration: Attendance is free of charge, however we kindly request that you register at <https://goo.gl/forms/UN5VttVifPdOKIeJ3> →**



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## Location Details

The workshop will take place in GEP/Alumni Pavillon at the Polyterrace behind the ETH Main Building.

### How to Reach the Venue

The main building of the ETH Zurich can be easily reached by public transport.

- from Zurich Main Station take Tram No. 6 (Direction: Zoo) or Tram No. 10 (Direction: Zürich Flughafen)
- from Bellevue take Tram No. 9 (Direction: Hirzenbach)
- from Central take the Polybahn

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