Building a food ecosystem

Pays des Condruises
Groupe d'Action Locale

Fonds Européen Agricole pour le Développement Rural (FEADER): l'Europe investit dans les zones rurales
The Time line

2011
Cooperative of producers (local products)

2013
Incubator for market gardeners

2016
Organic and local canteens

2017
Cooperative for mushrooms production

2018
Incubators network in Belgium (Wallonia)

FOOD HUB OPENING
The cooperative of producers

Results:

A social economy project: **8 jobs** (4 on the pay roll – 4 employment aids)

35 farmers associated as suppliers

Order: **600 families/week**

More than **50 delivery points**
The farm incubator

The 4 functions of the incubator:

- Hosting (legal, admin, financial)
- Sharing infrastructures/production
- Coaching (business and technical)
- Networking - animation

Results

2013 - 2017:
- 11 project holders hosted
- Now, 7 are full time producers:
  - 1 seeds producers
  - 1 endogenous plants producers
  - 5 market gardeners

2018:
- 5 new project holders
- Through LEADER cooperation project: creation of an incubators network in Wallonia
The ecosystem in action

- **Farm incubator**
- **New farmers**
- **Customers / families**
- **Training: organic market gardening**
- **Customers / families**
- **Organic and local canteens**
The future : a new vision (3 H)