

International Agri-food Lecture

AMAP: Redefining French Community Sup- ported Agriculture

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In France recently a substantial growth of AMAPs (*Association de Maintien de l'Agriculture Paysanne – Association for the Maintenance of Farmers' Agriculture*) can be observed. These are *Civic Food Networks* where consumers and producers enter mutual agreements and share the risk of production collectively.

Drawing on ethnography and qualitative interviews with farmers and consumers in Provence, the lecture compares AMAPs with other forms of Community Supported Agriculture like the Japanese *Teikei*.

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