



Slow Food®

# GOOD CLEAN AND FAIR FOOD

FOR ALL



# SLOW FOOD

Slow Food is a global movement acting together to ensure good, clean and fair food for all.

## OUR MISSION

We cultivate a worldwide network of local communities and activists who defend cultural and biological diversity, promote food education as well as the transfer of traditional knowledge and skills, and influence policies in public and private sectors.

**CAN WE CHANGE THE WORLD THROUGH FOOD?  
WE BELIEVE WE CAN!**

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# OUR APPROACH IS BASED ON THREE INTERCONNECTED PRINCIPLES: GOOD, CLEAN AND FAIR

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## **GOOD**

We stand for delicious, healthy, and culturally-appropriate food as a right for everyone: a diversity of people, cultures, places, foods, and tastes is key for resilient societies and ecosystems.

## **CLEAN**

We support local and resilient food systems which regenerate the Earth's precious resources rather than deplete them, and which safeguard all ecosystems and living species.

## **FAIR**

We help build economies based on solidarity, cooperation, inclusion and equality, that benefit and empower all food workers and consumers, where everyone is a valued decision-maker.



# A GLOBAL NETWORK OF LOCAL GROUPS: CONVIVIA AND COMMUNITIES

**Slow Food** is active around the world thanks to an extensive network of volunteer activists, and close collaboration with other associations and institutions.

**Communities** are made up of groups of people who share Slow Food's values and who come together to work towards a specific goal.

**Convivia** are the organizational nucleus of members, people who individually pay an annual membership fee and actively participate in association life.

NUMBERS FOR THE NETWORK NODES:  
CONVIVIA AND COMMUNITIES



**2,010**

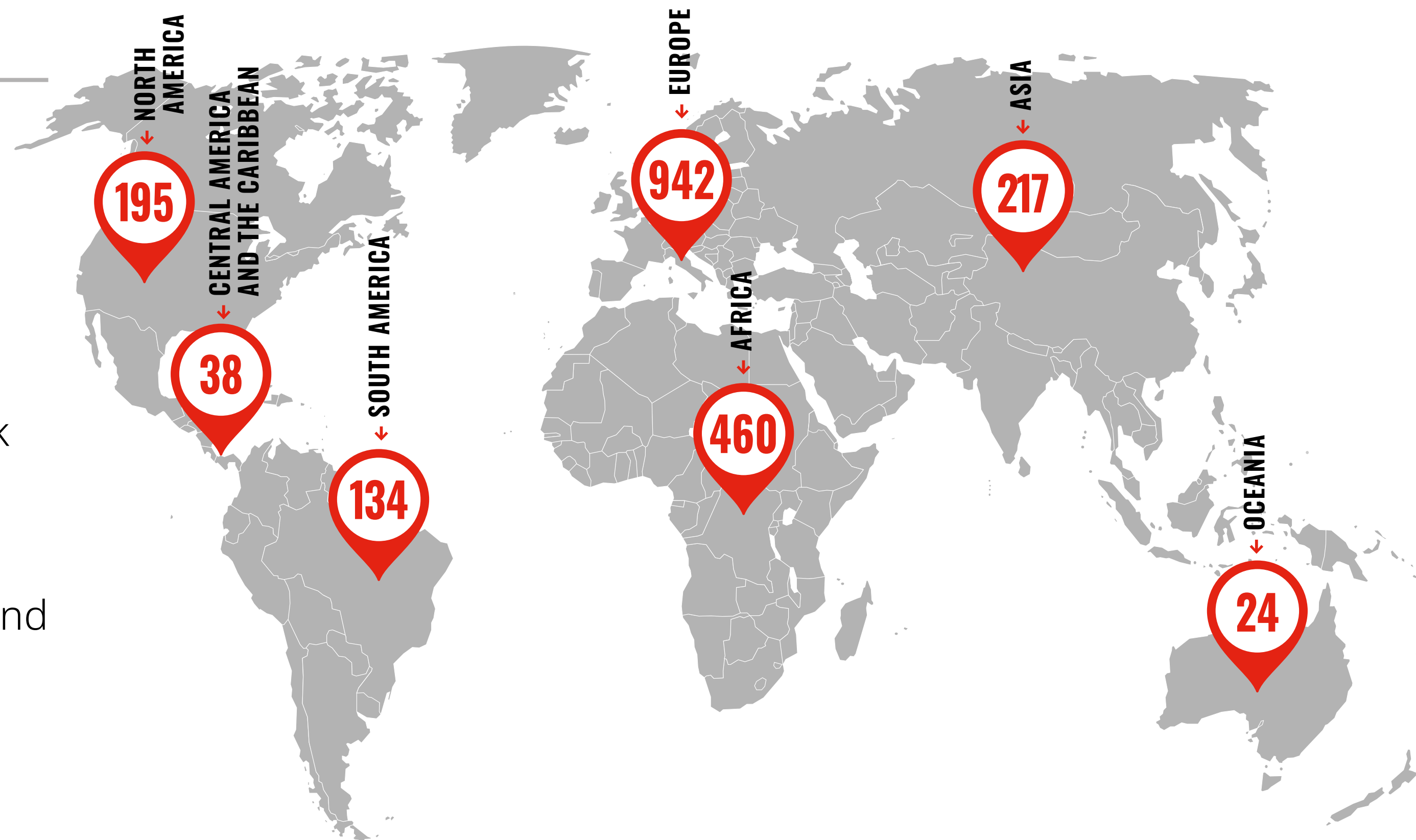
**SLOW FOOD CONVIVIA  
AND COMMUNITIES**

**1,172** SLOW FOOD  
CONVIVIA

**- 55** IN 2021  
IN **111**  
COUNTRIES

**838** SLOW FOOD  
COMMUNITIES

**+ 151** IN 2021  
IN **101**  
COUNTRIES



# OUR CURRENT SITUATION



**7.9**

BILLION PEOPLE



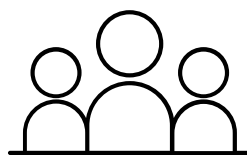
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MILLION PEOPLE  
WORLDWIDE SUFFER  
FROM HUNGER

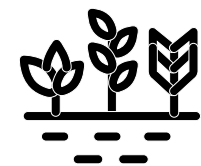


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MILLION PEOPLE  
GLOBALLY ARE  
UNDERNOURISHED



RURAL POPULATIONS  
ARE VULNERABLE  
TO FACING HUNGER  
AND POVERTY



**80%**

OF GLOBAL BIODIVERSITY  
IS LOST DUE TO AGRICULTURE  
AND FOOD SYSTEMS



**50%**

OF THE WORLD SEEDS ARE UNDER  
THE CONTROL OF 4 FIRMS



## SOME IMPACTS OF THE FOOD SYSTEM ON THE PLANET



**29%**

OF GLOBAL GHGS RELEASED  
BY FOOD SYSTEMS



**70%**

OF FRESHWATER USE FOR  
AGRICULTURE



**52%**

OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION  
LAND IS DEGRADED

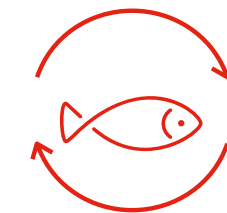


## SOME IMPACTS OF THE FOOD SYSTEM ON THE SEA



**30%**

OF FISH STOCKS COMMERCIALY FISHED  
ARE OVER-FISHED



**60%**

OF THE WORLD'S FISH STOCKS ARE FULLY  
EXPLOITED

A photograph of a woman and two children walking on a dirt path in a rural, lush green environment. The woman, on the left, is carrying a large woven basket on her head, which is covered with a red, white, and blue striped cloth. She is wearing a black shawl and a floral skirt. In the center, a young boy in a dark jacket and blue pants is walking. On the right, a young girl in a light-colored jacket and blue jeans is walking, carrying a colorful woven basket. The background is filled with dense green foliage and trees.

# WHAT WE DO

All around the world, activists are guided by the Slow Food pillars to continue the work for good, clean, and fair food for all

# STRATEGIC PRIORITIES AND GOALS



DEFEND BIOLOGICAL  
AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY



EDUCATE, INSPIRE  
AND MOBILIZE CITIZENS




INFLUENCE POLICIES IN THE PUBLIC  
AND PRIVATE SECTORS

# DEFEND BIOLOGICAL AND CULTURAL DIVERSITY

Our future as inhabitants of this planet is dependent on conserving natural resources and preserving biodiversity.

Slow Food defends biological and cultural biodiversity, through:

 Researching, cataloging, and promoting the heritage of biological and cultural diversity linked to food;

 Supporting and promoting those who preserve biodiversity and act as caretakers of local territories;

 Creating opportunities for dialogue and exchange.

The following projects are managed directly by Slow Food in many different countries, but they do not exhaust Slow Food's work on biodiversity.

## ARK OF TASTE

The world's greatest catalog of cultural and traditional biodiversity is linked to food and agriculture.

## SLOW FOOD PRESIDIA

Groups of producers are committed to preserving and passing on traditional production techniques and crafts.

## SLOW FOOD COOKS' ALLIANCE

A broad network of cooks from all over the world joining forces to defend food biodiversity.



## SLOW FOOD GARDENS IN AFRICA

A network of people working across Africa to preserve biodiversity, add value to traditional knowledge and gastronomy and promote small-scale agriculture.

## SLOW FOOD TRAVEL

It's a model based on experience tourism where the travelers have a first-hand encounter with producers and farmers.

## SLOW FOOD EARTH MARKETS

An international network of markets working under the principles of Slow Food.



# EDUCATE, INSPIRE AND MOBILIZE CITIZENS

When you learn through the senses, by doing and playing, you understand the world.

**Slow Food educates, inspires, and mobilizes people through:**



Developing communications materials and launching campaigns to increase awareness about the food system and to change behavior.



Designing and delivering educational and training activities and experiences to improve knowledge about food— from production to consumption to food loss— and to impact people's practices and choices.



Designing and delivering educational and training activities for professionals in the food sector to reward those who make positive changes in food production, distribution, marketing, consumption, and waste management.



## TRAINING FOR

activists and producers – with webinars on measuring project impact, digitizing food businesses, fundraising strategies, and design company staff and professionals educators and teachers students.

## FOOD & HEALTH

the health of humans and the planet are intimately connected and how defending.

biodiversity is a possible solution to tackle the climate crisis and malnutrition in all its forms.

## SLOW FARMING AND SLOW MEAT

A project and a campaign aimed to raise awareness among co-producers about better, cleaner, fairer consumption habits, encourage a reduction of meat consumption, and promote the work of family farmers and artisanal producers who respect animal welfare.

# ADVOCACY

## INFLUENCE POLICIES IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS

Real change requires a legal framework geared toward good, clean and fair food.



At the international level, Slow Food worked to influence three key political processes: the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity, the United Nations Food Systems Summit, and the COP 26 on climate change.



In Europe, the Brussels office of Slow Food international carried out advocacy work to influence food and farming policies promoted in the Green Deal.



Globally, the Slow Food network carried out grassroots work and national advocacy activities.



### UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY (UNCBD)

Slow Food's position paper on biodiversity was shared on the official social channels of the UNCBD.

### UN FOOD SYSTEMS SUMMIT

Slow Food engaged in public campaigning and joined the counter UN Food Systems Summit Forum, held between 25-28 July 2021

### COP 26

Slow Food attended and mobilized members and citizens globally through the Slow Food Climate Action campaign.

### SAVE BEES AND FARMERS

Slow Food joined the Circle of Organisers (CoO) of the Europe-wide campaign aiming to ban pesticides, transform agriculture, save bees and conserve nature: the ECI "Save bees and farmers".

### GMOS AND NEW GENOMIC TECHNIQUES FOR PLANTS

Slow Food has a long-standing position against GMOs due to the risks they present to biodiversity, the threats they pose to small-scale farmers' livelihoods, and their incompatibility with agroecology.

A vibrant event scene featuring a group of people, primarily women, holding up various colorful flags and signs. The signs prominently display the 'Slow Food' logo, which consists of a red spiral and a red fish-like shape. The atmosphere is lively and celebratory. In the foreground, a hand holds up a smartphone to capture a photo or video of the event. The background is filled with more flags and people, creating a sense of a large-scale gathering.

# EVENTS

Some of our more important activities and events to promote good, clean, and fair food.



# TERRA MADRE SALONE DEL GUSTO

An international event dedicated to good, clean, and fair food and to food politics. It takes place in Turin, Italy, every two years since 2004, and it is organized by Slow Food, the Region of Piedmont, and the City of Turin.



[For more information](#)



# TERRA MADRE DAY

A celebration of local food with local-level events organized in communities around the globe every year on December 10.

[For more information](#)



# WORLD DISCO SOUP DAY

It is the day when the Slow Food Youth Network groups organize parties and turn food waste into Disco Soup. An event to cook, eat and dance together, showing a fun way to save food.



[For more information](#)



# CHEESE

An event dedicated to raw milk in all its shapes and forms, held every two years in Bra, Italy. The streets of the city become a window to the producers and their cheese.

[For more information](#)



# SLOW FISH

A biennial event dedicated to sustainable and artisanal fishing, held every two years in Genoa, Italy.



[For more information](#)

A photograph of a person wearing a red and white plaid shirt and a dark headscarf, harvesting ripe red tomatoes into a large, woven wicker basket. The person's hands are visible, carefully selecting the fruit. In the background, another person in a blue jacket is working in a field of tomato plants under a clear blue sky. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting a sunny day.

# THEMATIC NETWORKS

Created to impact the food systems and promote change through collaboration while including more people in the conversation. The thematic networks are inclusive, and add new experiences within Slow Food.

# SLOW FOOD COFFEE COALITION

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The Slow Food Coffee Coalition is an open network -co-funded by Slow Food and the Lavazza Group- that unites all the participants involved in the coffee value chain, from the producers to the consumers, that think and work collaboratively toward a common goal: a Good, Clean and Fair Coffee for all.



# SLOW FOOD INDIGENOUS PEOPLES

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The Slow Food Indigenous People is a global network of Indigenous and afro descendent communities working to defend their right to control their land and food.



# MIGRANTS COMMUNITIES NETWORK

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The Migrant Communities Network fosters the social, cultural, and economic integration process of the communities through food.



## SLOW FISH

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Slow Fish is the gathering of communities of fishers, fishmongers, artisans, scientists, producers, biologists, cooks, and policymakers, aiming to rediscover the value chain behind fish and create synergies.

# SLOW BEANS

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The challenge is to bring this important food back to the table because legumes are an essential element in a diet that helps people live long and healthy lives.



# SLOW FOOD YOUTH NETWORK

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The Slow Food Youth Network is a worldwide grid of young activists, students, farmers, artisans, scientists, journalists, and more. People and local communities cover their work on different topics, including issues like food waste, climate change, policy, and social injustice.



BE PART OF THE CHANGE,  
YOU CAN ENGAGE IN SO MANY WAYS.

YOU CAN



FOLLOW US  
IN SOCIAL MEDIA



CREATE YOUR OWN  
SLOW FOOD COMMUNITY



READ OUR ARTICLES  
AND STAY INFORMED



JOIN  
OUR ACTIONS



DONATE, BECOME  
A MEMBER

Our channels



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