

WHAT IS FOOD SOVEREIGNTY?

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AGROECOLOGY

ancestral practices
genuine seeds
no use of chemicals

} more productive
more diverse
less costly

Globalize Hope!
Globalize Struggle!

Susan George
TNI

LOW COST ECONOMY FOOD

60s

Green revolution

80s

OGMs revolution

STILL, HUNGER INCREASES

20%

of children in US and UK are undernourished

No level of human suffering will produce a policy change by itself.

Cheap food is a trap for society.

Marc Edelman
CUNY



Emerging countries are heavily dependent on industrialized economies.

Jennifer Clapp
University of Waterloo

FINANCIAL DEREGULATION

Olivier de Schutter
UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food

Farmers and consumers want to regain control of the food system.

Ryan Isakson
University of Toronto

Can we re-imagine the role of finance to empower farmers?

John Hilary
War on Want



A little less conversation a little more action, please.

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Farmers are disempowered by massive urbanization.

Eric Holt-Gimenez
Food First

We can't change the food system in isolation.

For example, rural population in Turkey is radically fading:

33%

In 1990s

23%

In 2010

5%

Future target

POLICY

ATTITUDE

RELATIONS

Also need to be changed

NGOs and academics need to interact with investors and companies.

Max Spoor
ISS

...SO WHAT IS FOOD SOVEREIGNTY?

**A project
A campaign
A political framework
...A vision.**