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RESOURCE SMART FARMING

**Innovative solutions for
optimizing resource
use in urban food
production**



SUSTAINABLE PROFITABILITY

**Ensuring economic
viability while
promoting
environmental
sustainability**



INNOVATIVE UA GOVERNANCE

**New governance
models to scale urban
farming**



RESILIENT TERRITORIAL PLANNING

**Fostering urban resilience
through strategic agricultural
integration in territorial
planning**



COLLABORATIVE ECOSYSTEMS

**Discover the role of living labs
and clusters in fostering
innovation and collaboration**



Nourrir Liège: A Festival for a Transition towards Sustainable Agriculture

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The Nourrir Liège (« Feeding Liège ») festival, created in 2017, is an annual event aimed at raising public awareness about sustainable food and promoting environmentally friendly agricultural alternatives. This event, which is part of a broader transition towards more sustainable food systems, highlights solutions to ongoing urban agriculture challenges, such as natural resource management, food waste reduction, and access to local, high-quality food. In 2025, it is organized by the Ceinture Aliment-Terre Liégeoise ("Liège Food Belt" – CATL), the Centre d'Action Laïque de la Province de Liège, Arsenic2, the theatre company Adoc, the Maison de l'Alimentation durable et inclusive de Liège ("Sustainable and Inclusive Food House" – MadiL), and the University of Liège. Over 100 activities are offered by 150 partners during the ten-day festival, attracting around 6000 participants.

Nourrir Liège encompasses multiple aspects contributing to the evolution of urban and peri-urban agriculture through conferences, practical workshops, theatre plays, exhibitions and film screenings on topics related to agroecology, permaculture, and short supply chains. These discussions explore the role of cities in the agricultural transition, particularly through the enhancement of urban spaces for food production, and help identify innovations that promote the integration of agriculture into urban environments.

The festival stands out by promoting urban agriculture as a response to global food challenges. By showcasing practices such as community gardens, it encourages sustainable urban space management and supports local food production. These solutions not only enhance food resilience in cities but also contribute to reducing the carbon footprint associated with traditional food supply chains.

Moreover, Nourrir Liège fosters exchanges between local producers, researchers, and citizens, encouraging them to reflect on sustainable food models adapted to urban specificities. This approach strengthens social ties and promotes cooperation among various local stakeholders, a crucial factor for the success of urban agriculture.

In conclusion, Nourrir Liège positions itself as a key player in shaping the future of urban agriculture by contributing to the dissemination of sustainable food practices and encouraging citizen involvement in the transition towards more resilient and environmentally friendly food systems.