

## Group visits of Consultation Reform – Education – Transformation November 21, 2015

### **1 Cooperativa de Trabalho Mista Solidária Utopia e Luta (COOPSUL) - Mixed Work Cooperative Solidary Utopia and Fight – Porto Alegre/RS**

The Cooperative was formalized in August 2008, its mission is the search for a new model of life through the self-organization of the families resident in the building in which it is installed. Its greater object has been the construction of a sustainable and differentiated life, aiming the ethical consumption, environmental respect, healthy alimentation and contribution to the rescue of dignity. The community's constitution had its beginning in the occupation of the public building of INSS (*Instituto Nacional de Seguro Social* - National Institute of Social Security) that was abandoned for more than sixteen years, which occurred during the World Social Forum, in 2005. The dwellers regularized their home through financing from the *Caixa Econômica Federal* (Federal Economic Bank), being the only experience of revitalization through Solidary Credit Program in the country. Currently, COOPSUL is organized in centers of production and generation of income, situated in the Utopia and Fight Community building: the Community Bakery, Serigraphy Center, Hionic Garden, Community Laundry, Cut and Sewing Atelier and the Quilombo of Arts Cultural Space.

More information: <http://coopsul.blogspot.com.br/>

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### **2 Centro Diaconal Evangélico Luterano (CEDEL) - Evangelical Lutheran Diaconal Center – Porto Alegre/RS**

The Evangelical Lutheran Diaconal Center was inaugurated in 2000 to attend the Communities from the Central region of Porto Alegre through partner social services for families, children and teenagers economically and socially vulnerable, guaranteeing rights provided by the LOAS (*Lei Orgânica da Assistência Social* - Organic Law of Social Assistance) and ECA – (*Estatuto da Criança e do Adolescente* – Constitution of the Child and the Teenager). It is part of the Social Cepa, network that acts in the social field in Porto Alegre and Viamão.

Currently, it assists 120 children and teenagers, between the ages of 06 and 15, through: workshops and assemblies of socialization, pedagogical support, computing, sports, art in its diverse expressions and ludic activities to stimulate the biopsychosocial development. It offers basic courses and free access to the internet, using free software, through Telecentro, program of digital inclusion. It has a multidisciplinary team.

More information: <http://www.cedel.org.br/>

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### **3 Associação dos Produtores da Rede Agroecológica Metropolitana (RAMA) – Producer Association of the Metropolitan Agroecological Network– Porto Alegre/RS**

RAMA is a certifier entity that develops support activities for agriculture since 2010, it is composed by farmers, mainly from the counties of Porto Alegre, Viamão and the metropolitan region of Porto Alegre/RS. The Participatory Organism of Organic Conformity Evaluation from RAMA was built in a participating manner by the producers, which includes the concept of agroecology that guides their actions: Agroecology is a sustainable way of life, which seeks sustainability, respect for the social

relations, environmental balance and the productive biodiversity, with the smallest negative impact as possible. The agroecological production system is a partnership with nature in the handling of the soil, and between producers in the exchange of knowledge and inputs, prioritizing the utilization of the property's resources. The intention is to visit one or more rural properties that integrate RAMA.

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#### **4 Associação do Quilombo dos Alpes Dona Edwirges – Quilombo of the Alps Madam Edwirges Association – Porto Alegre/RS**

The Alps quilombola community is inserted in a space with rural characteristics in the county of Porto Alegre. Composed by around 70 families that live in the *Altos do Morro dos Alpes* (Top of the Alps Hills), in the Glória (Glory) neighborhood. As an income generation source, many quilombolas provide small domestic services in the gastronomical area and in the civil construction area. The main potentialities are the community garden, the crafts in sisal fibers, the planting and harvesting of medicinal plants, the kitchen and the extraction of bamboo sprout. One of the objectives is to organize and qualify the families to participate in the Ecological Market and events, aiming at the commercialization of the excess produced in the Community Garden, Aromatic Medicinal Plants and Condiments (sprouts and dry herbs), mainly of plants from the African/Brazilian culture.

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#### **5 Mercado Público – Public Market – Porto Alegre/RS**

Historic and Cultural Patrimony of Porto Alegre, the Public Market was inaugurated in 1869 to shelter the trade supply of the city. Defined as Cultural Patrimony, between 1990 and 1997 it went through a restauration process, aggregating more quality to its structure and recovering the original architectonic concept. With the construction, the Market also expanded the number of commercial stores. Besides offering good products, seeking to practice a good policy on prices, the Public Market is also a space for cultural and community manifestations. There we find stores of economic and solidary enterprises that act in the areas of alimentation and commercialization of organic products coming from rural producers settled by the agrarian reform, organized by the MST (*Movimento dos Trabalhadores Sem Terra – Landless Workers Movement*).

More information: <http://www2.portoalegre.rs.gov.br/mercadopublico/>

#### **6 Casa da Economia Solidária – Solidary Economy House – Porto Alegre/RS**

The Solidary Economy House of Porto Alegre, inaugurated in the ends of 2014, congregates 27 solidary economic enterprises (*empreendimento econômicos solidários - EES*), from the segments of craftwork, confection and recycling. The objective is to contribute to the income increase of the workers that act in the solidary economy perspective. The groups (EES) are formed majorly by women, around 90%.

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## **7 Empreendimento Econômico Solidário (ECOPAPEL) – Solidary Economic Enterprise – Porto Alegre/RS**

Ecopapel – Recycling lives making art, emerged in 2008 from the necessity of a group of dwellers, more precisely, 06 women and 02 men, all black from a community in Viamão/RS. The objective was to generate income, promote leadership and autonomy through paper recycling.

More information: <http://ecopapel.weebly.com/>

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## **8 Coletivo Plural Feminino – Plural Feminine Collective – Porto Alegre/RS**

The Plural Feminine Collective of Porto Alegre (RS/Brasil) is a non-governmental feminist organization founded in 1996 by a group of women identified with the fight for the human and citizenship rights for women and girls. It acts in the women's movement through local, regional, national and international articulations, integrating networks and campaigns, advocating through public policies the fulfilment of national and international instruments of women's human rights and the end of all forms of violence and discrimination of women and girls.

It works for the feminine empowerment, understood as the possibility of dominating language, symbols, tools, which permit the exercise of power and decision and free articulation in the public and private worlds. It participates in spaces of power and decision and acts in the social control of public policies. It integrates groups of report and monitoring for International Conventions and Treaties. It provides assistance and consulting on public policies, lectures courses and capacitations.

More information: <http://femininoplural.org.br/site/>

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## **9 Assentamento Filhos de Sepé – Children of Sepé Settlement – Viamão/RS**

The Children of Sepé Settlement's Resident Association is a representative organization of the agricultural community settled in the territory known as *Assentamento Filhos de Sepé* (Children of Sepé Settlement), in Aguas Claras, county of Viamão/RS, founded in 1998.

Currently it has around 370 families, more than a thousand people in a territorial extension of 11 thousand hectares. The settlement was one of the pioneers in the cultivation of organic rice in the State. Besides rice, the settlers develop cattle raising with dairy and beef, plant fruits, greenery and horticultures.

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## **10 Cooperativa de Trabalhadores, Carroceiros e Catadores de Materiais (COOTRACAR) – Cooperative of Workers, Carters, and Material Collectors – Guaíba/RS**

The cooperative was built in 2009, by the collectors of recyclable material that acted collectively in an associative manner. The foundation of COOTRACAR served to implement the policy of Solidary Selective Collection (*Coleta Seletiva Solidária – CSS*) in the county of Gravataí. Such policy seeks to include the street collectors in the services of recyclable material collection to be provided to the county. Currently the cooperative concentrates 25-30 collectors.

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## **11 Justa Trama – Fair Web – Porto Alegre/RS**

The Cooperative Fair Web is a productive chain, process that initiates in the plantation of agroecological cotton and goes through to the commercialization of the confection pieces made with this input.

The enterprises that are part of this productive chain work in the precepts of the solidary economy and fair commerce. There are about 700 workers in five Brazilian states, men and women, farmers, seed collectors, woolens, weavers and sewers.

The cooperative was founded in 1996 with the focus of searching for alternative forms of collective generation, work and income. In Porto Alegre, it is formed by 22 members, 21 being women and 1 man.

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