

Saguenay- Lac-Saint-Jean

Supporting the Emergence of Collective Solutions



Forum SAT 2022 tour of regions: Literature review
The Forum SAT 2022 (SAT for systèmes alimentaires territoriaux
in French or TFS for territorial food systems in English)



FEATURES OF THE REGION



- 4% of the land area is zoned agricultural
- Boreal region due to its northern location, making the territory unique
- Agroclimatic factors are conducive to production of plants such as lowbush blueberry, potato, forage plants, small grains, and certain oilseeds

Needs of the region

The following issues, among others, are persistent in the region: labour shortage; access to land; large land area making food shipping more complex; lack of public transportation; food insecurity. However, the lack of time, funding, and human resources for organizations to carry forward the sustainable food project is hindering the deployment of the regional TFS. Our stakeholders must have better access to this information, in addition to doing more awareness-raising on sustainable food to outside organizations. The pooling of expertise and the development of knowledge from all sectors (social/community, economic, research, municipal, etc.) are also important factors in promoting the TFS.

PROPOSALS FOR FORUM SAT

- **DISSEMINATE** communication and mobilization tools and practices favouring stakeholder commitment.
- **FINANCIALLY SUPPORT** regional consensus-building and participatory governance.
- **EMPHASIZE** linkages with public policies and territorial planning processes.
- **DEVELOP** networking and consensus-building spaces to ensure coordination among sectors and activities.

CONDITIONS FOR SUCCESSFUL TFS GOVERNANCE

For effective governance in the region, the Borée committee has taken on the mission of meeting the needs of the territories by **favouring consensus-building mechanisms, striving for synergies among regional and local forces** (communities, municipalities, RCMs, etc.) **and creating partnerships among the various stakeholders** in the TFS. To accomplish this, Borée will pursue **mobilization, collaboration, and consensus-building** around a **vision centering on regional identity**, whose aim is to improve the sustainable and equitable food system. The committee's goal being to **increase the region's food autonomy**, it will rely on consensus-building and on **rallying the forces of stakeholders from different sectors**.

Success
stories

Initiatives

Modèle
de Gouvernance
de Borée

Projet Nutrinor
Zone Boréale
L'Ouvre-boîtes

Tools

Cartographie
des acteurs
de l'alimentation

Champignons comestibles
du Lac-Saint-Jean

Répertoire
des initiatives de la région

Gestion durable
d'une entreprise
agricole

Strategy

Charte d'engagement
pour les saines habitudes
de vie des services éducatifs
à la petite enfance

Stratégie d'autonomie
alimentaire