



**Nyéléni Europe and Central Asia Food Sovereignty Network (Nyéléni ECA)  
Regional meeting  
and Europe and Central Asia Civil Society Consultation in Preparation  
for the FAO 34<sup>th</sup> Regional Conference for Europe and Central Asia,  
Istanbul, Turkiye, 10-12 May 2024**

**AGENDA**

**DAY 1**

**10/05/2024**

TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
9:30 – 10:00	1) General introduction	Objectives of the meeting, how do we work together and getting to know each other
10:00-11:00	2) Nyéléni Food Sovereignty Network	<b>Opening Session:</b>  Group discussions on the significance of the food sovereignty network, its role, and key topics for movement building
11:00-11:30	<b>BREAK</b>	
11:30- 13:00	<b>PARALLEL SESSIONS</b>  <b>3A) New participants of the process</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduction on the Nyéléni Food Sovereignty movement.</li> <li>- Nyéléni ECA structure</li> <li>- Information on global forum preparations</li> <li>- Concrete actions</li> </ul> <p>Q&amp;A</p> <p><i>Open discussion:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the potentials that you see in the Nyéléni ECA space?</li> <li>• What are suggestions of improvement?</li> <li>• How to enrich Nyéléni ECA from an intersectional perspective?</li> <li>• Possible cooperation with FAO REU and national offices? Can FAO support us achieving our objectives and how?</li> </ul>

11:30- 13:00	3B) Experienced participants	<p><b>Re-Cap:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2018 Nyéléni ECA structure document and follow up discussions in 2023 and what we have managed to implement</li> <li>• Who is part of the Nyeleni ECA? Roles of different constituencies</li> </ul> <p><b>OPEN EXCHANGE on proposals for improvement</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Structure of the Facilitation Committee</li> <li>• Working Groups</li> </ul> <p><b>OPEN EXCHANGE ON</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are the other topics which should be further discussed to strengthen Nyéléni ECA?</li> </ul>
13:00-14:30	<b>LUNCH</b>	
14:30-15:00	4) Political context	Short inputs from Western European, Eastern European, and Central Asian sub-regions on what are the <b>key external events</b> that affect our work as food sovereignty movement -
15:00-17:00	5) Thematic group discussions	Parallel discussions to analyse problems and build strategies for joint work
17:00-17:30	6) Plenary	<i>Feedback and closing of the day</i>

## Day 2

11/05/2024

TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
9:30- 9:45	7) Day Intro	Summary of the first day and Introduction of the second day
9:45- 11:15	8) Sub - regional discussions	<p><b>Regional perspectives on thematic outcomes and regional involvement</b></p> <p>Sub-regional working groups - specific regional issues with guiding questions from the day before including specific CSO inputs to the FAO related topics</p>
11:15- 11:45	<b>BREAK</b>	
11:45-12:40	9) Joint action and common ground	<p>Plenary work</p> <p>Precise proposals for joint action on topics and work as Nyéléni ECA</p>
12:40-13:00	10) Structure of Nyéléni ECA	<p>Plenary work</p> <p>Share of outcomes of Structure discussion</p>
13:00-14:30	<b>LUNCH</b>	
14:30-15:30	11) Pathways to the Global Nyéléni Forum	Preparation, timeline, and next steps for the Nyéléni Global Forum
15:30-16:00	<b>BREAK</b>	
16:00– 17:30	12) Summary and next steps	Summarising, important dates, timeline next steps

**DAY 3**

**12/05/2024**

TIME	SESSION	DESCRIPTION
9:00 - 9:45	<b>13) Introduction and confirmation of the agenda</b>	<p><b>Welcome messages</b></p> <p>Joint welcome message by CSOs from Türkiye (the host of the CSO consultation) and Moldova (the official host of the FAO REU Regional Conference and member of the ad-hoc Steering Committee of Nyéléni ECA)</p> <p>Presentation of the CSO Consultation Agenda and methodology of work:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Objectives of the CSO Consultation.</li> <li>- Presentation of FAO REU Regional Conference Agenda.</li> <li>- Presentation of delegation who will deliver the contributions of the CSOs to the FAO REU Conference.</li> <li>- Q&amp;A.</li> </ul>
9:45-10:30	<b>14) Overview of FAO's program and results</b>	<b>Presentation</b> by the FAO REU Representative, Pedro Arias of the programme and results from CSO work for the past biennium
10:30- 10:45	<b>BREAK</b>	
10:45-11:30	<b>16) Evaluation of cooperation with FAO and expectations moving forward, with Pedro Arias, FAO REU.</b>	<p><b>Brief evaluation of FAO's cooperation with CSOs on priorities</b></p> <p>(Agroecology and Peasants Rights. How do we see the continuation of cooperation between CSOs and FAO, through the Regional Priority Programmes, national programs and projects and other ways).</p>
11:30- 12:00	<b>17) CSOs contributions to FAO REU Regional Conference Agenda item, with Pedro Arias, FAO REU</b>	<p><b>CSOs experience with programmes and projects related to specific agenda items.</b></p> <p><u>Presentation by Pedro Arias and open exchange:</u></p> <p>The role of innovation and digitalization in the sustainable use of natural resources to accelerate the implementation of climate-resilient and low-emission pathways in agrifood systems.</p>
12:00-12:15	<b>BREAK</b>	

12:15-13:30	<b>(continuation)</b> <b>17) CSOs contributions to FAO REU Regional Conference Agenda item, with Pedro Arias, FAO REU</b>	<u>Presentation by Pedro Arias and open exchange</u> a- Implications on world food security and agriculture, including global food prices, arising from the aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine. b- Financing to end hunger for today and tomorrow
13:30- 15:30	<b>LUNCH</b>	
15:30 - 17:00	<b>18) Presentation, discussion, and approval of the interventions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Statement by the Spokesperson of the Civil Society Organizations (CSO)- to be voted in plenary</li> <li>- ERC/24/8 Rev.1, ERC/24/9 Rev.1 Regional results, priorities, the four betters and the Sustainable Development Goals</li> <li>- ERC/24/11 Country Office Network – Current status and way forward: A policy paper</li> <li>- ERC/24/4 Rev.1 FAO’s response to the multiple crises in Europe and Central Asia</li> <li>- Approval of the CSOs Statement</li> </ul>
17:00-17:15	<b>BREAK</b>	
17:15-18 :30	<b>19) Wrap up and conclusions</b>	