

Title: SOCIOFORMATION, A NEW PARADIGM FOR FOOD SELF-SUFFICIENCY

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Food self-sufficiency has a greater scope in local development and goes beyond the conceptualization of food security, since it implies satisfying those needs for safe and nutritious food for the entire population of a rural community based on local production and avoiding the capital leakage that represents the purchase of food products subject to price fluctuations that derive from the extensive commercial links and the costs of manufacturing and marketing. This is possible if the new paradigm is built: Socioformation as the axis of sustainable social and economic development in rural communities as the strategic basis for the search for food self-sufficiency based on an ethical life project that involves the collaborative participation of people. Socioformative processes have proven effective in solving community problems, because they involve the population in the search for their own solution alternatives with a vision of the future and with the ethical principles that rescue their identity, belonging and values. This implies that the new paradigm must transform the community into a knowledge society that addresses the productive vocation of its locality, that rescues its local knowledge, that promotes education about health and nutrition, and that implements and adopts the new techniques and technologies in the production, conservation and transformation of their food; Socioformation can be the new paradigm of self-sufficiency food in rural communities.

Biography

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