

## RUAF FOUNDATION

International network of Resource centers on Urban Agriculture and Food security



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### Main focus

- Enhancing the **capacity** of local stakeholders to cooperate in joint strategic planning on urban agriculture
- Facilitating the integration of urban agriculture in **policies and programmes** of local and national governments and other institutions,
- **Strengthening urban producers' organizations** and enhancing their capacity to innovate and to develop safe and sustainable urban farming systems.

### RUAF-CFF Cities Farming For the Future (05-08)

- Consolidation of seven regional Resource centres on Urban Agriculture and Food Security
- **Capacity Development:** about 200 trainers trained, who on their turn trained over 1700 staff
- **Multi-stakeholder Forums** on Urban Agriculture established in 18 cities, that developed a **Strategic Agenda on Urban Agriculture**



- **Integration of UPA in Municipal budgets, City master plans and land use plans**
- 32 urban agriculture **pilot projects** were implemented, involving over 7000 households
- **Dissemination of experiences gained** e.g through the UA-Magazine (6 languages; 15,000 readers), publications, on-line databases



### RUAF interest in the SAA

- RUAF will participate in SAA in **8 countries / 13 city regions** (Bolivia, Colombia, Burkina Faso, Ghana, Senegal, South Africa, Zimbabwe, India)
- **RUAF country programmes in the context of SAA** will focus on:
  - a. **Strengthening urban producer organisations and networks**
  - b. Support **Projects on subsistence gardening; Food Seed toTable projects**

- c. (in 6 cities:) Support to **multi-stakeholder policy development and action planning on urban agriculture**
- d. **Influencing national level authorities** to integration of UA
- e. Studies and networking regarding **regional food systems** in the city regions where RUAF is operating



- f. **Systematization and dissemination of experiences**  
(workshops, publications, guidelines, policy briefs and factsheets , regional website, UA-Magazine)
- g. **Capacity development** of staff of NGOs to guide and implement the above (training, coaching, int. sharing)

The RUAF *global programme* will focus at

- **Enhancing exchange and access to experiences and research data** on urban agriculture and regional food systems
- **Promoting awareness and policy uptake at international level**

Thank you

