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Promoting Social Innovation Through Public Canteens

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With this high-level workshop, we advocate for **transformative minimum standards in public canteens** through the EU (see [Manifesto](#)). In particular, we call for the implementation of **healthy school meals and food education** for every child in every school in Europe (see [Petition](#)). Our goal is to achieve more socially just and resilient food regions and communities.

With the upcoming legislative **Framework for Sustainable Food Systems** (FSFS) and the revision of the EU school fruit, vegetables, milk and food education scheme, the EU has gathered momentum for change. This session will show the power of the public plate combined with social innovation as a way to improve the wellbeing of individuals and resilience of our communities.

DATE **10 October 2023, from 9:00 to 11:00**

Registration and welcome coffee will start at 9.00 and the session will be followed by organic drinks and finger food

VENUE ICLEI Europe Brussels office - Rue du Luxembourg 19, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium

AGENDA:

9:30

Welcome

- Joke SCHAUVLIEGE (EPP), CoRNat rapporteur on the Legislative Framework for SFS
- Tunç SOYER, Mayor of Izmir Metropolitan Municipality, Türkiye & ICLEI Global Executive Committee Member
- Silvia SCHMIDT, Policy Manager, IFOAM Organics Europe

9:50

Presentation of advocated minimum standards, in particular a healthy school meal with food education for every child in every school

9:55

Endorsing statements from Members of the European Parliament:

MEP MORTLER Marlene

MEP RIPA Manuela

MEP LAURETI Camilla

MEP BRICMONT Saskia (tbc)

MEP ŠOJDROVÁ Michaela

10:20

Official Handover Ceremony of the **PETITION** to Members of the European Parliament

MODERATION: Peter Defranceschi, Head of ICLEI Brussels Office & Global [CityFood](#) Program

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