



“MADAGASCAR LAB&KITCHEN BY CASCOLAND – INSTALLATION”

Organizer: Mariana Martínez Balvanera

Cost: USD 10

Expected participant: 25

Duration: One day

Abstract

The Cascoland Mobile Lab&Kitchen is an itinerant installation that aims to connect scientists, farmers, creatives and chefs in site specific locations, around the theme of sustainable food production systems. The Mobile Lab&Kitchen is basically an installation made up of a number of kitchen tables, a temporary meeting place and a co-creation space where science, farming practices, culinary practices and creative practices and audiences meet, cook, eat and discuss food. Like we all do around our kitchen tables worldwide. While cooking and eating together in an informal setting a different discourse will evolve. Not a one way lecture but a dialogue between on food from the different perspectives of farmers, scientists, chef cooks and creatives. With food as the common ground the Mobile Lab&Kitchen aims to create a network and bridge multi-stakeholder communities in countryside and urban locations in need of new insights on farming, food production and forest restoration.

In the setting of ATBC 2019, Cascoland proposes to create a temporary Lab&Kitchen to facilitate a trans-disciplinary exchange around a kitchen table, involving ATBC attendees, sustainable farmers, local chefs and researchers to address global challenges in food production. Locality is the most important aspect of the Mobile Lab&Kitchen. Cascoland will work with local resources: Madagascar's locally produced foods, local products, creatives and academics.

The Lab&Kitchen will be a work-in progress that requires the audience active participation. The actions will be a culinary lab where we will cook and eat together. We will work with providers of locally produced foods and forest products and the cooking will be orchestrated by local Chefs. At the kitchen table, experts, farmers, scientists, academics, will discuss the relationship between food agriculture and climate change, food production, forest restoration and the importance of trans-disciplinary solutions to these questions.

