

Good Practice of Smallholder Supply Chain Collaborations



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Country	SPAIN 
City	ALMUSSAFES
Organization	DUART BLAY S.L

Good practice general information	
Title of a Good practice	Production of vegetables
Country/region/city	ALMUSSAFES
Short information	Production of 8 types of onions

Detailed information

In Duart Blay they produce 8 types of onions to ensure supply in the vicinity areathroughout the year. The varieties are:

- Spring (April, May and June).
- Half Grain (June, July and August).
- Grain (June to February).
- Coldstode grain (March and April).
- Sweet variety, red and white purple (all year round).
- Queen chat (from March to August).

Evidence of success	Punctual and periodic distribution with electric vans. In summer, they use the same route to supply watermelons, potatoes and garlic. This saves costs and helps to reduce the carbon footprint.
Challenges	As a product of proximity, costs are saved and markets can access all varieties of onions throughout the year. They are fresher products, they are harvested at the same time of ripening therefore, they have more nutrients. They are less perishable because they do not contain preservatives.
Potential for learning	Because emissions of polluting gases during transport are reduced and they are also more economical for the consumer because they are seasonal products. By reducing the carbon footprint, it respects the continuity of the biodiversity of our ecosystems.

