

The logo for ANAP (National Association of Small Farmers) features the word "ANAP" in bold red capital letters. A thick green brushstroke is drawn horizontally across the letters, starting from the left and ending under the 'P'.

## 8th International Encounter on Agroecology, Food Sovereignty, Nutritional Education, and Cooperativism

November 14th - 20th, 2022

Havana, Cuba

*Delegation Organized by:*



### **Background**

Every two years, Cuba's National Association of Small Farmers (ANAP) organizes an international encounter that brings together close to 200 mostly farmers but also academics, NGO representatives and government officials from around the world to gather at their training center in Guira de Melena 45 minutes south of the City of Havana and visit farms throughout the country. The encounter is organized in partnership with La Via Campesina (LVC) and a large portion of the participants are LVC farmer members from around the world, making for an inspiring and unique experience to connect with leaders in the agroecology and food sovereignty movements.

Since 2015, the Cuba-U.S. Agroecology Network (CUSAN), an initiative coordinated by the Caribbean Agroecology Institute (CAI), has worked closely with ANAP and LVC to register U.S. and international participants for this event. We are excited to once again support the participation of the US and international delegation to attend this unique event in 2022.

### **The encounter**

The event will create space to exchange information and experiences among participants through keynotes, roundtables, interactive panels, working groups, and field trips. The following themes will be explored:

- Family, peasant and indigenous agriculture, agroecology, food sovereignty and nutritional education
- Seed production and conservation in agroecosystems
- Socioeconomic efficiency in agroecological farms, and social and environmental impacts
- Agroecology, natural resource protection and climate change mitigation

- Agroecology systems, opportunities for incorporation of youth, women and families
- Role of the cooperative movement
- Challenges and opportunities of the promotion of agroecology and formation processes

**Official Language:** All activities will be in Spanish, If you require interpretation to English, the cost for non-LVC delegates will be \$150 USD per person for the week.

### **Event Costs:**

*Please note: All costs are in Euros, and should be paid, in cash, upon arrival in Cuba. Exact change preferred. Bills that are ripped, torn, worn or old may not be accepted. Please try to bring crisp, new bills.* The cost of the encounter includes airport pickup and drop off as well as all transportation to visit farms throughout the week. You should plan to arrive on the 13th and depart on the 20th.

- Registration: 200 Euros, includes:
  - Participation in technical activities and field days
  - Lunch
  - Participation certificate
- Accommodation and food service:
  - Lodging: 12 Euros per person
  - Breakfast: 3 Euros per person
  - Dinner: 10 Euros per person
- **Total for the event: 375 Euros**

### **Registration**

[Please fill out this form to register.](#) Once registered, CUSAN/CAI staff will follow up with more details, including what to expect during your week in Cuba, tips for purchasing flights, and complying with OFAC sanctions rules. You will be responsible for purchasing your own airfare. **Registration Deadline:** October 6, 2022.

### **While in Cuba:**

Please note that you will be participating in a full-time professional encounter, located about 45 minutes from downtown Havana. The encounter begins Monday, November 14th with field visits and ends Saturday, November 19th. During the encounter dates there will not be any time for sightseeing, and taking time away from the official events for non event activities is discouraged. Please arrive before or stay after the event to engage in these activities.

Lodging conditions are rustic with small, shared bedrooms of 3-4 people. Hot water and air conditioning are not available in all rooms.

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