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Giving soils a voice!

Situation in Slovakia

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Ministries dealing directly with soil issues and environmental education

- Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development of SR
- Ministry of Environment of SR
- Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic

Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development



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AGROFÓRUM

Dialog with public on different agriculture related topics

Forum on the use of agricultural soil

- to gather information on the use, management and maintenance of soil in accordance with good agricultural and environmental conditions.

Contributions must include the cadastral territory and the parcel or local area name.

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Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Development

Agrokomplex – national agricultural exhibition

Day of Constitution - open doors in National Council (2.9.2017)

- 20 000 visitors
- Environmental aspects presentation
- NPPC contributed to the programme

17. - 20. 8. 2017



The day of Constitution



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Ministry of Environment of SR



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everybody





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Envirospy

Reporting of corruption and law-breaking
in nature protection



Slovak Environment Agency



- to increase public environmental awareness through a comprehensive offer of informal environmental education programs at a national and regional level
- training and information events

Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic

- Soil issues - part of environmental education, not as individual subject
- Environmental education – not long tradition (since 1996) in formal education system
- School's reform in 2008 – unsatisfying
- Reasons: formalism, limited understanding of environmental education, absent education system for teachers, insufficient motivation of environmental education coordinators
- NGO's – key role in env.education – Eco schools
- Env.education – also social and and ethical dimension
- Not only give information but to educate to environmentally friendly style of life

Soil awareness at farm level

Main principles of Agrokruh- agro circle alternative cultivation method for vegetables production

There is a way:

- to grow healthy crops ***without heavy machinery and chemicals***
- to live healthily in harmony with nature
- to give your life and business sense
- long-term investing to tasty food is better than financing in virtual financial bubbles



Agrokruh in praxis



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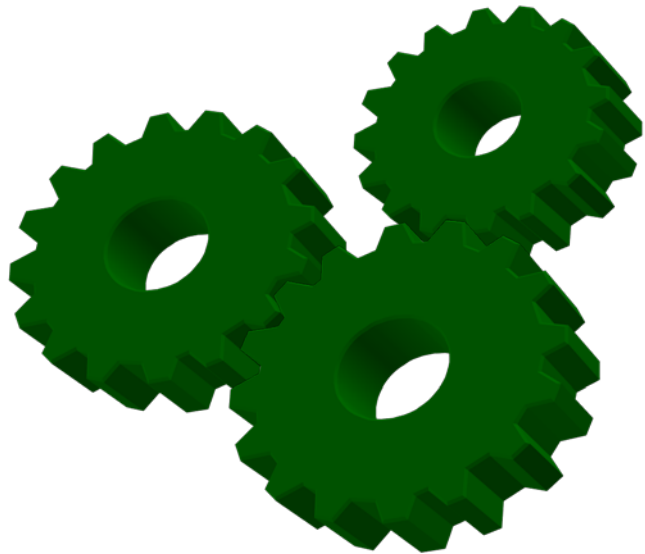
Positive effects of Agrokruh

- ***Nutrient quality of vegetables***
 - cultivation without chemicals
 - better taste
 - The accessibility of fresh and tasty vegetables can change gastronomic habits towards increased consumption of vegetables.
- ***Social influences***
 - The equipment is always at the same place following the same traces, the surrounding can be used for recreation purposes – new added value of farms
- ***Environmental influences***
 - no negative effects of ploughing
 - no soil degradation
 - increase of soil water capacity
 - improvement of soil structure



Soil protection in Slovakia – integral part of the Constitution of Slovak Republic Since May 2017

Our world works in a spiral.
Raw materials, unbalanced inputs, outputs, waste,
senseless growth and looting have no place in it.
Important are the cycles, e.g. substance cycle,
balances (environmental, social...), understanding
nature and its laws.



Thank you for your attention



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