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Territorial Food Projects in the face of the challenge of sovereignty

After presenting the PAT system and the methods of its deployment on the national territory, the presentation will proceed in two stages.

First, the aim will be to compare the TAP perimeters and to deduce the potential for food autonomy, using the measurement tools available for this purpose. This approach will make it possible to compare two scales: the ambitions of the TAPs and the production capacities of the territories concerned. The land capacities and agricultural volumes produced will be compared with the nutritional needs of the populations. We will draw lessons from this as to the scope and limits of a reading in terms of food autonomy.

Secondly, the notion of food sovereignty, understood as the capacity of a local population to freely define the desired configuration of its agricultural and food systems, and the strategies and intervention mechanisms to achieve this, will be addressed. We will illustrate this point using two types of innovative approaches identified in certain territories, in connection with the TAP approach: reciprocity contracts, which take into account forms of inter-territorial cooperation (particularly between agricultural territories and metropolises), including on the food front; and committed organic territories, labelled on the basis of a voluntary approach, to devote percentages of UAAs and collective catering to organic produce, in accordance with regional objectives set by the label.