Editorial Note

Food, the foundation of life, is of global interest, and in many societies always, the focus of political attention, both economically and ecologically. In 2015, this attention has been expressed in the Expo of Milan entitled under the slogan "Feeding the Planet."

The goal of food security requires food adequate both in quantity and in quality. It is especially on the latter - in particular upon the healthiness and, even more often, the pleasure of food - that has a regional focus and more generally via wealthy families. While it is mainly the quality that is explored regionally there are the concerns of the one billion of human beings suffering from hunger and/or quantitative deficiency of certain food components. These deficiencies that focus mainly on food insecurity constitute the major international issue. Food insecurity should be of concern not only to all those who are sensitive to the malaise of others, but also to those who understand that overcoming poverty and hunger can also solve problems of the richest countries.

Food, in its various aspects and relationships with human activities and their environment, was therefore placed at the center of some initiatives of Geoprogress: this Journal called for papers on food, agriculture and environment; "Tourism Days 2015" (whose contributions are published in the Annals of Tourism 2015) discuss the interactions between food and tourism; the first edition of the Geoprogress Global Forum, launched with a seminar during the EXPO, will focus on "Food geography and food security policies" and will be developed in 2016 with a debate on social networks and an international conference.

The first proposed contributions will be published in this and the next issue. These papers treat the character and importance of the food, the forms of production, distribution, consumption and relationship with the natural environment and are seen as a condition and as a result of agricultural production.

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