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## Nei Ofsazméiglechkeeten a Schoulkantinnen fir Lëtzebuerger (Bio)Bauerent

### Engagement lount sech!

For years, decades in fact, there have been repeated calls for public canteens in Luxembourg to offer more healthy, regional and, ideally, organic food.

Unfortunately, for a long time without success. But above all the last few years, the Mouvement Ecologique - partly together with the with the "Lëtzebuerger Jongbauerent a Jongwenzer" - has become increasingly involved in this area. The definitive breakthrough came in 2023:

Restopolis, the structure responsible for catering in school canteens, is to be transformed into an administration be transformed into an administration by means of a new legislative project.

Together with the young farmers, the Mouvement Ecologique consistently campaigned for clear guidelines for Restopolis' purchasing policy to be laid down in the text of the law itself.



Press conferences, statements, discussions with the Minister of Education and those responsible at Restopolis ... finally led to the first draft of the law being revised in a positive sense by the Ministry of Education was revised in a positive direction.

Parallel to this legislative reform (the law has not yet been voted on in the Chamber of Deputies), Restopolis itself worked on a new purchasing strategy, which was presented and implemented in 2023. And although there are still "teething troubles" at the moment, it is extremely welcome how constructively Restopolis has taken up the challenge of sustainable food procurement.

After intensive dialogue with the Mouvement Ecologique, it was also decided that regional and organic products would be preferred when shopping in future - provided they do not exceed price limits. Vegan and vegetarian dishes will also be promoted, with a focus on seasonality and other elements of a sustainable diet. In addition, access for smaller and regional producers will be facilitated or made possible in the first place. A national digital shopping platform is at the centre of the implementation.

A joint press conference was held with the Ministry of Education to present the work and the new approach and orientation.

In addition to these intensive discussions and various position Restopolis also presented the new strategy in the presence of the Minister - organised by the Mouvement Ecologique and the Lëtzebuerger Landjugend - presented the new strategy at the Foire Agricole in June. It was entitled: *"A new approach for Luxembourg agriculture: The new "Supply4Future" strategy from Restopolis "What does it sow? What does it bring to the farmer?"*

An extremely large number of interested farmers and other stakeholders took part in the presentation.

The following slogan then also characterised the work: *"Reform of Restopolis": A milestone in school canteen catering.*

The pilot phase was launched in some lycées in 2023 and the project will be expanded in 2024. The aim is to eliminate any "teething troubles" that were identified during the pilot phase.

The project is a true *success story*: farmers are given new sales opportunities and far greater planning security, as organic food produced in Luxembourg in particular is given a significantly expanded market. Luxembourg have a significantly expanded sales market. Restopolis is therefore a trailblazer for the direct promotion of organic farming and regional agriculture in Luxembourg.

### Und das Luxemburger Schulobst?

Unfortunately, the development of Restopolis has not (yet) served as a good example for the Ministry of Agriculture. Regional and organic fruit is still not really being promoted in the tender for school fruit. Reason enough for an open letter to Agriculture Minister Claude Hagen to take action here.



**Restopolis reell reforméieren -  
amplaz just e neien Ustrach ze ginn!**

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