

WFSC Ambassadors A Program for Students and Alumni

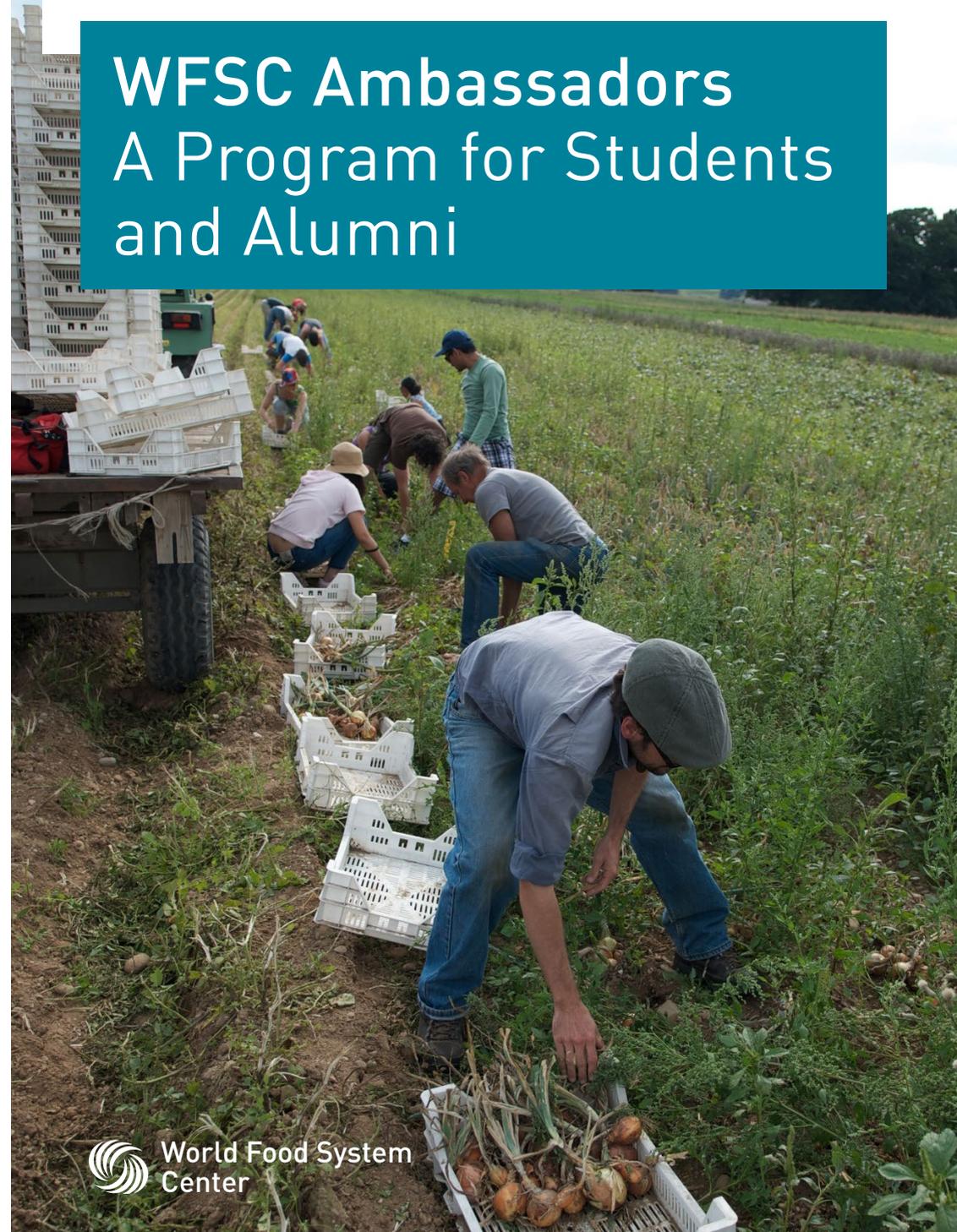
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«An international learning exchange platform for organic production systems and global food security, supported by the WFSC Mercator Program.»

Program Overview

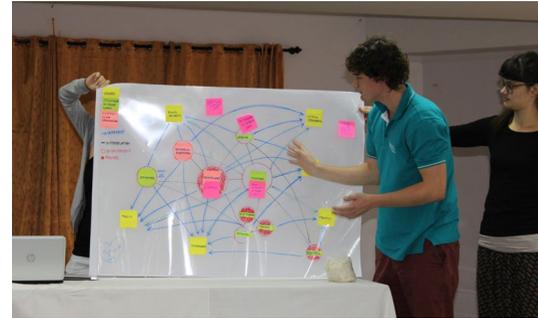
The WFSC Student Ambassador Program provides opportunities for students to participate in short-term travel or study programs, internships, or similar activities that will further their education about the world food system. The program offers a chance for participants to explore new things that will advance their knowledge, exchange with others, and share what they already understand about the food system.

The program supports activities that are concerned with the role and potential of organic production systems (certified and non-certified) to contribute to global food security. It is made possible by the kind support of the Mercator Foundation Switzerland, which supports a program at the WFSC focused on this theme.

Grants of up to 4'000 CHF will normally be considered. The Center can support 4-8 projects per year, depending on the quality of applications and size of funding requests.

Requirements

The program intends to facilitate an exchange of knowledge and experiences. Lessons learned and reflections about information exchanged during these activities are expected to be brought back to home departments/organizations. Ambassadors are required to submit a written report about their experience and will be expected to contribute in other ways to the WFSC Outreach platform. This can be done by distributing their report through the Center's communication channels, blogging about the experience, and/or through other creative means as discussed with the WFSC.



Mapping the food system at WFSC Summer School in Bangalore, India, 2014..

Eligibility

The WFSC Student and Alumni Ambassador Program is open to alumni of the WFSC Summer School courses and graduate students (PhD and Masters) and postdocs who are studying at ETH Zurich with a WFSC member group. Support for activities will be evaluated and selected via a competitive process.

How to Apply

Eligible applicants should submit a letter of application, one-page CV, and completed activity template.

The application letter (2 pages maximum) should include:

- Goal(s) of the travel or study program or similar activity for which support is requested
- Explanation of how the activity is concerned with the role and potential of organic production systems (certified and non-certified) to contribute to global food security
- Amount of funding requested with breakdown and explanation of how it will be used
- Learning/career development objective and expected outcome(s)
- Proposed contribution to WFSC Outreach platform.

Applications will be evaluated by the WFSC on a rolling basis throughout the year.

Please contact the Center for activity templates and further information. Applications should be submitted to [Monika Piessens](mailto:mpiessens@ethz.ch) at mpiessens@ethz.ch.