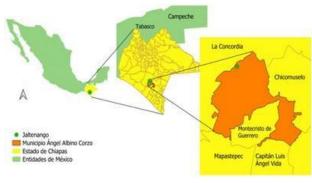




Workshop 3: "Exchange of experiences to identify and reproduce plant material"



As part of thrust area 2 "Promoting climate change mitigation and adaptation by ensuring coffee quality", we ran this thematic workshop. It took place in the facilities of the Finca Triunfo Verde Organization.

Objective

Exchange experiences on coffee varieties and organic production processes each coffee producer organization uses, so that each organization can establish their own demonstration plot.

Demonstration plots

Demonstration plots seek to demonstrate quality coffee can be produced in areas as small as 0.5 ha, with good production yield. Organization Finca Triunfo Verde has been involved in a Demonstration Plot Establishment Program for five years and they have obtained average yields of 15 quintals in 0.5 hectares, but yield can be even greater within such a surface.









Key findings

All possible varieties grown by the seven Organizations: Java, Enhanced Bourbon, Pacamara, Anacafé 14, Garnica, Oro Azteca, Geisha, Típica, Caturra, Lempira, Costa Rica 95, Sarchimor, Peñasco, Marseillaise, Catuaí, Red and Yellow Bourbon, Arabica, Robusta, Mundo Novo, Geisha, Tupi and Obata.

Most of the Organizations have a biofactory of their own, where they prepare some organic inputs such as: Viçosa mixture, humus and leachates of Californian red earthworm, compost, foliar fertilizers and fungicides, bocashi, biol, simple/mineralized supermagro, mountain microorganisms. Some organizations are also working with microbial inoculants. Most Organizations have community nurseries and there are also Organizations that are working with community biofactories. On the climate change adaptation side, two Organizations are monitoring the weather through the use of weather stations.

Conclusions



The exchange of experiences between Organizations helped each Organization to have a clearer and more complete vision of what the other Organizations are working on so that they can help in strengthening each other, to improve their production practices. With this workshop, the foundations for the implementation of demonstration plots were established in order to scale up to all producers of each Organization.