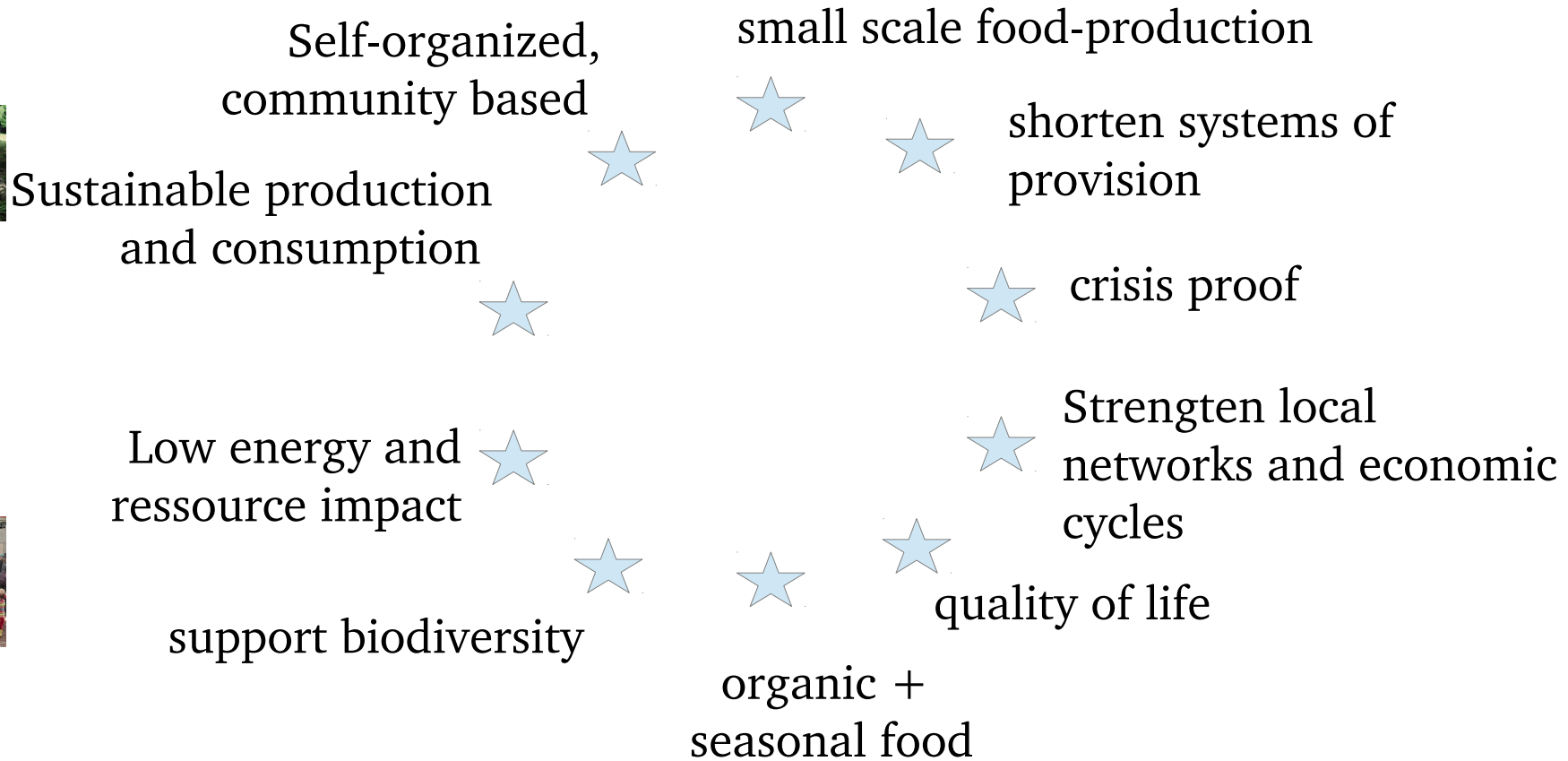


Building alliances in the field of food production and consumption:

Urban Gardening and Community Based Agriculture



Building a social and ecological economy



Moving towards a degrowth economy and society



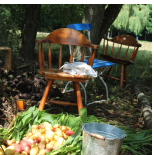
Urban Gardening + Community Based Agriculture => steps into direction of degrowth ways of food production and consumption

Which aspects point to their potential to be pioneers of change?



Economic concept: reproductivity

- Productive + reproductive activities
(Biesecker/Hofmeister)
- Degrowth society needs to reevaluate reproductive activities
(e.g. care, maintain, repair, network)
- Appreciation and fusion of productive and reproductive work = re-productivity

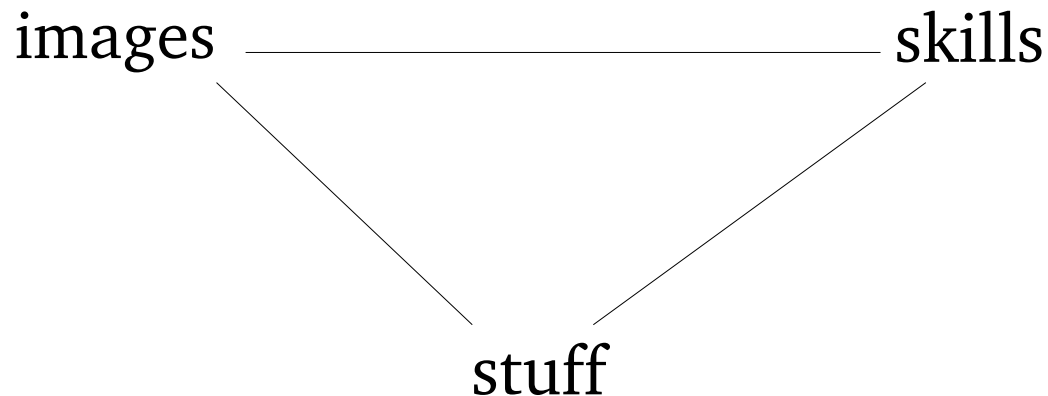


Sociological toolbox: practice theory (Brand)

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- Systems of provision: chain of steps from production to consumption
- e.g. plant – grow – care – harvest – transport – preserve – pack – transport - store – distribute - sell – consume
- Practice forms: arrangements of images, skills + stuff



Urban Gardening

e.g. Bambis Beet Freiburg



Images: taking to food production into one's own hands, sharing, shaping urban spaces, sufficiency



Urban Gardening

e.g. Prinzessinnengärten Berlin

Skills: building, planting,
caring, harvesting, organizing

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Urban Gardening e.g. Annalinde Leipzig



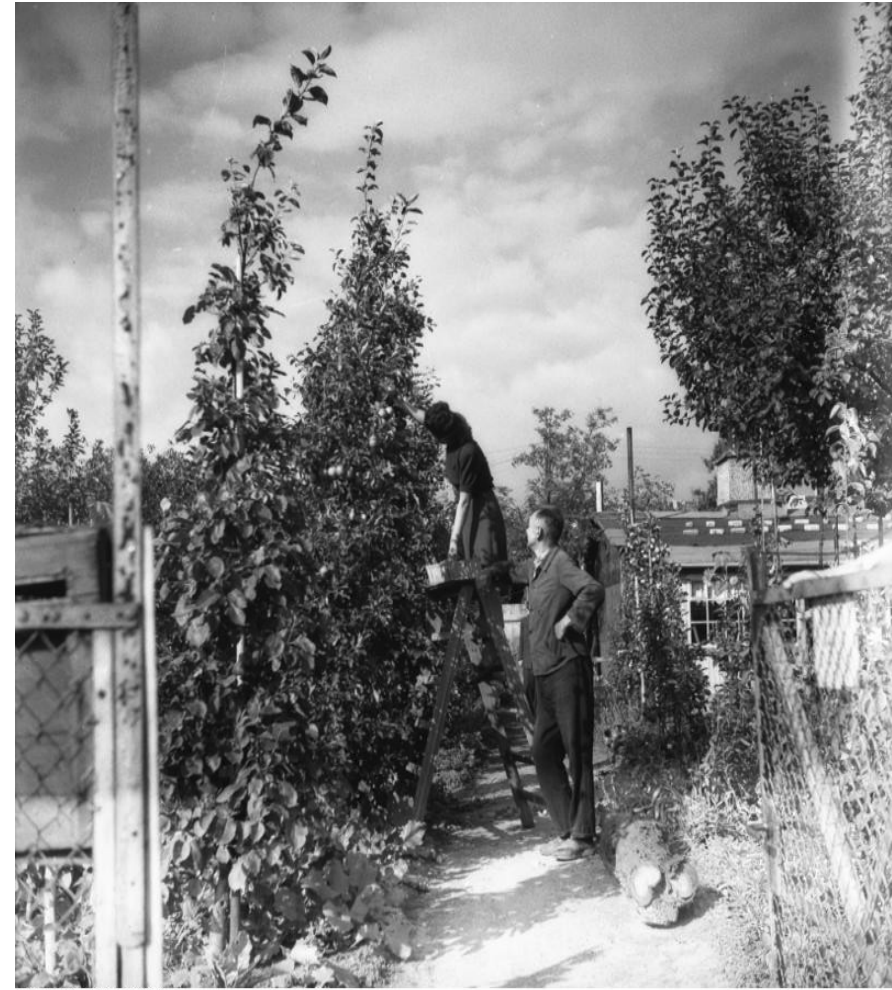
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Stuff: (fallow) land, raised beds, seeds, tools, vegetables + fruits



Comparison Urban Garden - Allotment



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Community Based Agriculture

e.g. SoLaWi Dalborn

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Images: taking local, organic food production into one's own hands, solidarity economy, sharing, changing systems of provision



Community Based Agriculture

e.g. Lebensgarten Dreisamtal

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Skills: planting, caring, harvesting, distributing, organising,
financing



Community Based Agriculture (CSA)

e.g. Gartencoop Freiburg

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Stuff: land, seeds, plants, tools, machines, boxes, vehicles for distribution



Comparison CSA - sustainable consumption

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Comparison Urban Gardening - CSA



Criteria	Urban Gardening	CSA
Low thresholds	*****	*
New milieus	****	*
Attractive image	*****	***
Skills	****	****
Sharing	*****	*****
subsistence	*	****
Transforming sop	*	*****

Contribution to degrowth society

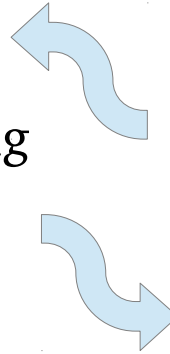
- Sustainable production and consumption ✓
- Gentle use of resources ✓
- Strengthen local networks ✓
- Crisis-proof ✓
- Quality of life ✓
- Organic + seasonal food ✓
- Changing systems of provision ✓



Building alliances: linking potentials, overgrowing limitations

Urban Gardening:

- Low thresholds
- New milieus start gardening
- Shaping urban spaces
- Radiant image



CSA:

- Long-term
- Changing systems of provision
- Solidarity
- Food supply for many => subsistence

- contribute to building a social and ecological society
- link productivity and reproductivity
- orientation towards sufficiency and sharing communally
- experimenting with new forms of economy and work
- hands-on work => learning skills for a degrowth society

**Thank you
for your attention!**