- Actors of the chain
- INTA AER Chos Malal and EEA Bariloche
- North Neuquen Town's Councils
- Neuguen Province Government
- Economic Sciences Fac. Uni Nac. Comahue

Valuation of a traditional farming system of North Neuquen (Patagonia, Argentina) by developing a *PDO* for goat meat



The region



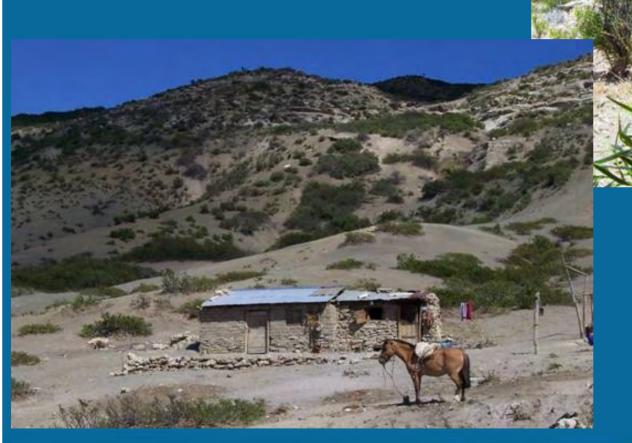
- Argentina
- Patagonia
- Provincia de Neuquen
- •Region: (36-38 S 69-71 W)
- •Area: 30.000 km²







Particular rural system, because of its social, cultural and productive characteristics



Transhumant pastoralist: "Crianceros", keepers of goats and sheep living on public land

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- Long term sustainability is threaten
 - Environmental degradation
 - Scarce works opportunities
 - Migration
 - Poor access to markt
- Close relation between people, animals and environment
- Product with high reputation

Background





Hypothesis

- The valuation of the genuine products of the system contributes to their sustainability
- Predictions
 - Promotion of crianceros organization
 - Improvement of system income
 - Improvement of regional work opportunity

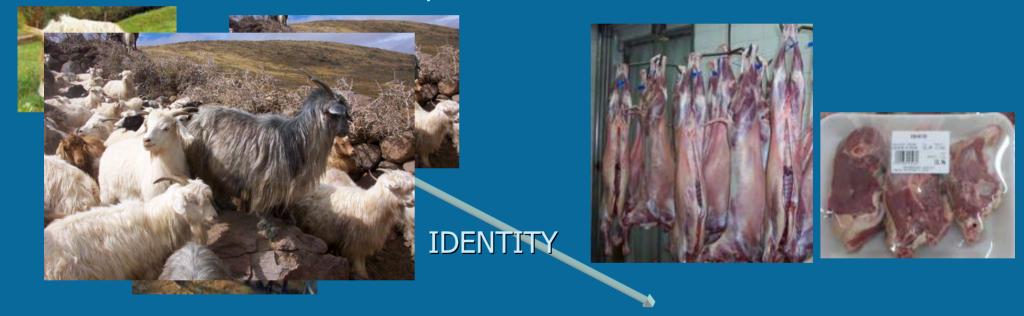


- a well defined region
- a social group that has a strong identity sense and is closely tied to its tradition, animals and land
- a local genetic resource shaped by the "crianceros" after their own criteria
- a genuine product that is the pride of their breeders
- a recognised quality



Agreements about the advantages and importance of this mechanism to protect their animals and their cultural values

"our product is the best"



To guarantee origin and production form



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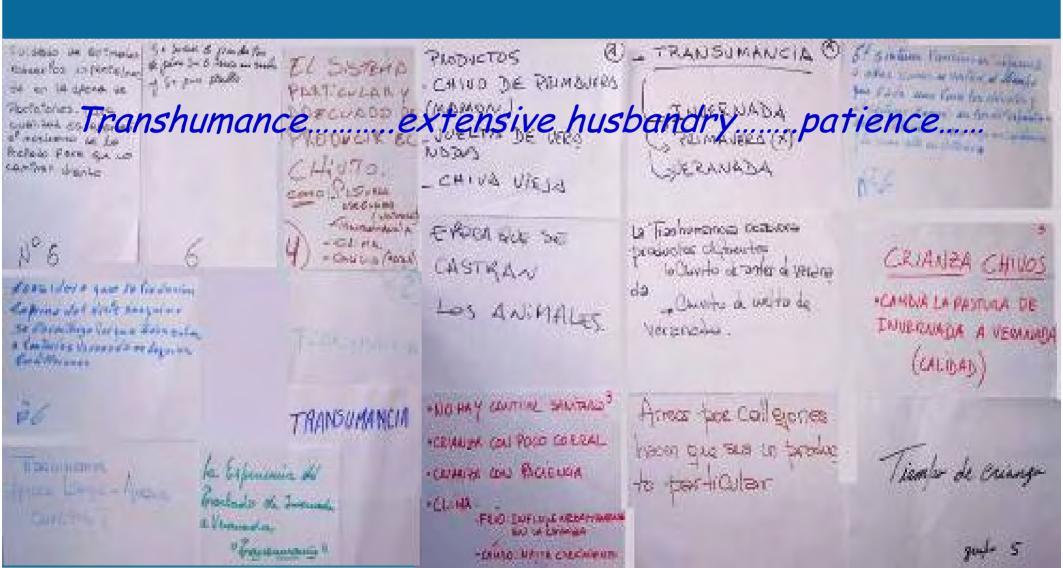
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Discussion with the people

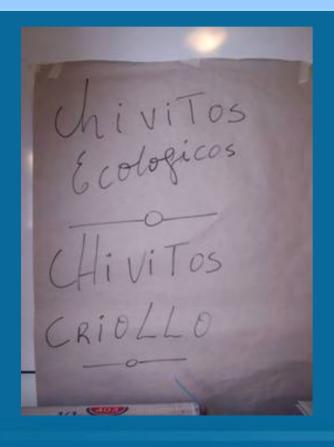
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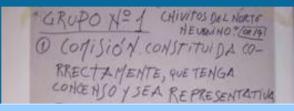
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DEFINING A NAME





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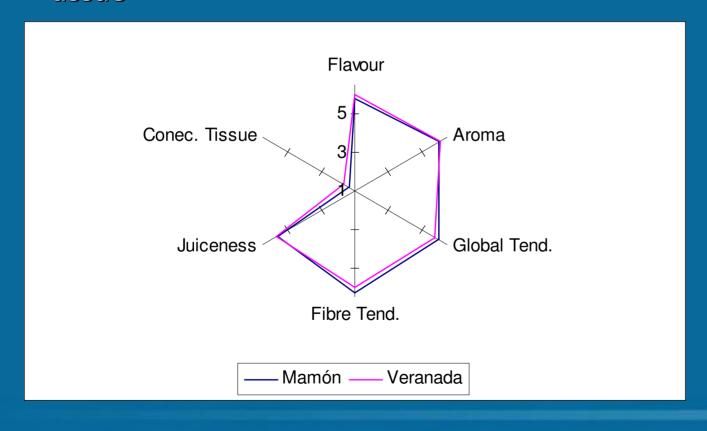
- PDO Board
 - 9 crianceros
 - 1 middleman
 - 2 traders
- Advisory board
 - INTA, Province,PSA
- Registered Mark
- Logo
- Protocol







- Two products to protect
 - "Mamón Kid" (suckling kid) 2 month of age, from winterfields
 - "Veranada Kid" 6 month of age, from summerfields
- Both products were characterized and differentiated (weight, fat muscle and bone content)
- Sensorial analysis: flavour, tenderness, aroma, juiceness, conective tissue



Results



Scarce use of formal path

Results

- Causes:
 - Increasing use of meat for the household
 - Increasing informal slaughter
 - Lack of controls
- Lack of knowledge (urban tourist consumer level)





Results

- All the actors have the same "quality" conception
- They consider this product as "Superior", meaning that they are good producers, they know what they do and do it well
- The principal uncertainty is coordination of supply
- Other problems: routes, transportation, communication, etc.





Next actions

- Next season (November) start of PDO use
- New project planing together with the people to:
 - Reinforce the organization
 - Publicity campaign
 - Improve the production and trading chain
 - Improve the infrastructure (transportation/communication)













