

# Questions and answers

**RUAF, being a resource centre, regularly receives questions from a variety of persons and institutions on many different subjects. Some of them can be answered directly by RUAF; others are forwarded to partner institutions with the required expertise. Readers are also welcome to contribute and share experiences with others. In the next issue we will start with an interactive Question and Answer section.**

Frequently asked questions include the following:

❖ *Information on gardening practices and techniques, like organic farming*

Answers to many of these type of questions can be found on the website of City Farmer: <http://www.cityfarmer.org>. If not, these questions could be dealt with by other institutions participating in RUAF, or other of the Support Group.

❖ *Information on conferences and other activities*

See the section on Forthcoming Events of the UA Magazine or here, or at <http://www.ruaf.org>. There you will also find links to other websites that may provide this type of information see the section on Websites.

❖ *How to find certain publications?*

On the Bibliography pages of the RUAF website you may find what you look for. Furthermore, we will regularly review new releases under the section New Publications.

Recent questions received, that were of interest to quite a few of who communicated with RUAF are:

❖ *Where to find information on indicators or models that may assist in calculating the percentage of food security and income delivered by urban agriculture.*

❖ *Information on the qualitative and quantitative impacts of community gardens.*

❖ *Where to find or how to apply for funding for setting up a community garden.*

**We invite you to share your experiences with us. You can send your answers, suggestions and questions to:**

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An article-contribution, should highlight the urban aspects and policy implications and recommendations. Articles should be written in such a way that they can be readily understood by those working with farmers. We would like to suggest articles of up to 3000 words long (This is about 6 pages A4). Articles should preferably be accompanied by an abstract, illustrations (digital if possible) and references. The planning for the next issues is:

- No. 2 *Urban Livestock* (October 2000)
- No. 3 *Integration of urban agriculture in urban planning* (January 2001)
- No. 4 *Management of urban agriculture related health aspects* (April 2001)
- No. 5 *Methodologies in planning and facilitation of urban agriculture* (September 2001)
- No. 6 *Urban agriculture and food security* (December 2001)



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