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IN THE CONTEXT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT

**AGROECOLOGICAL TRANSITIONS, FOOD REGIMES AND A
COMPARATIVE POLITICAL ECOLOGY OF LAND AND WATER IN SWEDEN,
ITALY AND CHILE**

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Palavras-chave: agroecological transitions; food regimes; comparative political ecology; sweden; italy; chile.