



British food waste activist Tristram Stuart took his "[Feeding the 5,000](#)" across the channel to Paris, Saturday 13 October. The event, aimed at raising public awareness of food waste was renamed "Gobal gachis" in the French capital. In spite of the pouring rain, thousands of Parisiens, some hungry, some not, gathered in front of Hotel de Ville, Paris city hall.

6,000 "plats du jour" were prepared, made entirely out of fresh ingredients that would otherwise go to waste: wonky carrots, misshapen potatoes and other fresh surplus produce.

"We want to start a French revolution against food waste", Mr. Stuart told the 12,000 Parisians who showed up for the event.

The event organized by Canal + television and the Hotel de Ville was intended to promote the documentary "The Global Food Waste Scandal" written by Tristram Stuart, which will be broadcast on 17 October.

"I have always thought that a gigantic feast made from food that would go to waste, is a clear and funny way to address the problem of the scandalous waste of food," said Tristram Stuart who has organized similar events, for instance at Trafalgar Square in London in November 2011.

Not only was a free "curry" provided where people got generous servings of a vegetable curry with pickles served on recyclable plates, but the guests were encouraged to participate.



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