

The Contribution of Organic Agriculture to the SDGs: Scientific evidence from comparative research

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Date: 26 February 2019
Time: 09:00 – 17:00
Location: Albert Borschette Congress Centre (Room AB.OD), Rue Froissart 36, Brussels
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This workshop aims to stimulate debate on the role of organic agriculture and other agro-ecological approaches in the European and international development policy frameworks in the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Programme

Time	Presentation	Speakers
09:00	Registration	
09:30	Towards the 2030 Agenda - DEVCO's agriculture strategy	Willem Olthof, DG DEVCO
	Research on organic agriculture and other agroecological approaches in view of the SDGs – relevance, state of the art, needs.	Urs Niggli, Director FiBL Switzerland
10:10	What is the contribution of organic agriculture to sustainable development?	Beate Huber Gurbir Bhullar Noah Adamtey Christian Schader Irene Kadzere, FiBL
	<i>Organic Farming Evidence</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results of 10-year farming systems comparisons in Kenya, India and Bolivia. Results of 5-year assessments on productivity, profitability and sustainability in Ghana, Kenya and Uganda. 	
11:15	Coffee break	

11:35 <i>Scientific Reflection</i>	Reflection of the research results: scientific panel discussion. <i>Moderator: Frank Eyhorn, IFOAM-Organics International/Helvetas</i>	Verena Seufert, Institute for Environmental Studies, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam Stephane Bellon, INRA Urs Niggli, FiBL
12:45	Lunch Break	
13:45 <i>Policy Approaches</i>	Can Organic feed the world? How worldwide conversion to organic farming and responsible consumption contribute to a sustainable food system. Advancing organic farming through research, development, innovation and technology transfer.	Adrian Müller, FiBL Bram Moeskops, IFOAM EU
	Scaling-up Agroecology to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) – results from the 2nd Agroecology Symposium.	Carolina Starr, FAO
15:15	Coffee Break	
15:35 <i>Policy Reflection</i>	Panel Discussion: The role of organic agriculture and other agroecological approaches in development policy. <i>Moderator: Gurbir Bhullar, FiBL</i>	Maria Heubuch, MEP Carolina Starr, FAO Frank Eyhorn, IFOAM-Organics International/Helvetas Leonard Mizzi, DG DEVCO
16:45	Take-home messages from the European Parliamentary Alliance on the Fight Against Hunger.	Maria Heubuch, MEP
17:00	Closing	