



9th EUROPEAN ORGANIC CONGRESS

11–13 JUNE 2015

RIGA, LATVIA

Thursday 11 June 2015 – Policies for green growth?

Using the organic regulation & CAP for organic development

› 8:30 Welcome coffee and registration

› 9:30 Opening plenary *Ziedona Hall*

- Jānis Dūklavs – Minister of Agriculture of Latvia
 - Martin Häusling – Member of the European Parliament, Rapporteur for the Legislative Proposal for the New Organic Regulation
 - Christopher Stopes – President, IFOAM EU
- Welcoming moderators: Aivars Lapiņš and Marco Schlüter*

› 10:30 Coffee break & press conference

› 11:15 Workshop sessions

Workshop I: Organic regulation: towards a final agreement? *Ziedona Hall*

- Martin Häusling – Member of the European Parliament, Rapporteur for the Legislative Proposal for the New Organic Regulation
- Monique Faber-Decker – Chief Officer of the Plant Health Service, Ministry of Agriculture, Viticulture and Consumer protection, Luxembourg
- Diego Canga Fano – Director, Directorate B – Multilateral relations, Quality policy, DG for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission
- Inese Pastare-Irbe – Rural Development and Forestry Attaché, Permanent representation of the Republic Latvia to the European Union
- Jan Plagge – President, Bioland

Moderator: Andrea Ferrante – President, City of Other Economies, AIAB

Workshop II: EU regulatory and policy solutions for progressive organic sector development *Jūra Room*

- Manuel Rossi Prieto – Policy Officer, Organic Farming, DG for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission
- Joelle Katto-Andrighetto – Value Chain Manager, IFOAM
- Juliette Leroux – European Affairs Officer, FNAB
- Christopher Atkinson – Head of Standards, Soil Association

Moderator: Alexander Beck – Managing Director, AöL

Workshop III: The role of organic farming in global food and nutrition security *Zemgale Room*

- Urs Niggli – Director, FiBL
- Niels Götke – Head of the Division, DASTI/FACCE JPI
- Hans-Jörg Lutzeyer – Research Programme Officer, Sustainable Agriculture, Scientific Support to CAP, Trade – Int. Agreements, Cross Compliance, DG for Research and Innovation, European Commission

Moderator: Marco Schlüter – Director, IFOAM EU

› 13:15 Lunch and networking

› 15:00 Presentations of workshop results and discussion

Ziedona Hall

- Workshop I:** Marian Blom – Project Manager, Bionext
 - Workshop II:** Merit Mikk – Board Member, Estonian Organic Farming Foundation
 - Workshop III:** Lise Andreassen – International Coordinator, ICROFS
- Moderator: Erkki Pöytäniemi – CEO, Export Manager, Organic Food Finland*

› 15:30 Supporting the development of organic now – roundtable discussion *Ziedona Hall*

- Martin Häusling – Member of the European Parliament, Rapporteur for the Legislative Proposal for the New Organic Regulation
 - Aivars Lapiņš – Head of Agriculture, Food, Veterinary, Forestry and Fisheries Division, Permanent Representation of the Republic of Latvia to the European Union
 - Diego Canga Fano – Director, Directorate B – Multilateral relations, Quality policy, DG for Agriculture and Rural Development, European Commission
 - Sirpa Hetell – Espoo City Councillor, Rapporteur on the organic farming, Committee of the Regions
 - Thomas Fertl – Vice President, IFOAM EU
- Moderator: Marco Schlüter – Director, IFOAM EU*

› 16:45 Coffee break

› 17:15 Launch – Vision for organic food and farming to 2030 *Ziedona Hall*

- Raffaele Zanolì – Professor of Agricultural Economics & Marketing, Università Politecnica delle Marche
 - Klaus Arntz – EVP Marketing, Quality and R&D, Wessanen
 - Urs Niggli – Director, FiBL
 - Kurt Sannen – Chairman, Bioforum
- Moderator: Christopher Stopes – President, IFOAM EU*

› 18:15 Closing *Ziedona Hall*

- Marco Schlüter, Director IFOAM EU

› 18:30 Congress group picture

› 19:00 Bus ride to networking dinner and cultural programme

› 20:00 Dinner at Restaurant “36 Line” – Jūrmala

Friday 12 June 2015 – Strategies towards vision 2030

Making the vision a reality for the movement, from farmers to processors

› 8:15 Welcome coffee and registration

› 8:45 Opening *Ziedona Hall*

- Raffaele Zanolì – Professor of Agricultural Economics & Marketing, Università Politecnica delle Marche
- Christopher Stopes – President, IFOAM EU

Workshop moderators:

- Raffaele Zanolì – Professor of Agricultural Economics & Marketing, Università Politecnica delle Marche
- Alexandra Thöring – Founder, Artebio
- Yulia Barabanova – Research Officer, IFOAM EU
- Eduardo Cuoco – Innovation and Research Manager, Delegated to TP Organics as Head of the Secretariat, IFOAM EU

› 9:00 Workshops: round one

Selecting strategic goals for the movement

› 10:45 Coffee break

› 11:15 Workshops: round two

Putting our ideas into practice

› 13:00 Lunch and networking

› 14:00 Workshops: round three

Strategic planning using future scenarios

› 15:45 Coffee break

› 16:15 Plenary: Putting the pieces together – reporting and discussion *Ziedona Hall*

› 17:00 Closing *Ziedona Hall*

• Christopher Stopes – President, IFOAM EU

› 18:30 Start of the Excursion

The bus will leave from the entrance to the National Library

Saturday 13 June 2015 – Excursion day

Visit Latvian rural areas and organic farms

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