WHERE IS THE ORGANIC SECTOR GOING?

Sustainable organic food systems can provide food for the world. How to facilitate the transfer of the current system into a sustainable organic food system by ensuring organic integrity is the task of this workshop.

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14:00 Welcome
Benedetta Merlo, Association Manager, OPTA EU

14:10 Workshop introduction and Greetings
Mr. Martin Häusling, introduction and welcome from the EP
Mr. Norbert Lins, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

14:30 Session 1: The 100% Organic approach
Moderation: Ms Benedetta Merlo, OPTA EU
Impulse: Towards a sustainable European food system by 2050: options for upscaling agroecology and pesticide-free agriculture across Europe
Pierre-Marie Aubert, IDDRI
Impulse: Societal and Ecological Values created by Organic Farming
Adrian Bebb, Friends of the Earth Europe
Impulse: Organic as a disruptive pioneer of established Food Systems - How Smallholder Farmers both feed the world and create social stability
Ronald Van Marlen, General Manager NANA BIO, Organic Production

16:30 Coffee break

17:00 Session 2: Organic Reliability. How to ensure Organic Integrity
Moderation: Mr Hannes Lorenzen
Impulse: Fraud cases in Organic, a Commission Perspective
Elena Panichi, Organic Unit of DG Agri
Impulse: How can control bodies help in preventing fraud?
Jan Wichert, Skal
Impulse: How to take responsibility in the organic food chain
Alexander Beck, AOEL

18:30 Summing Up
Benedetta Merlo, Association Manager, OPTA EU

18:45 End of the Workshop Session
Reception

EN-GE-EN Interpretation will be provided

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