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ORGANIC WORLD CONGRESS 2024, PUERTO VARAS, CHILE

Goals of the Organic World Congress in Puerto Varas, Chile

The main goal of holding the Organic World Congress in Puerto Varas, Chile, will serve as a space to exchange knowledge and collaborations between stakeholders from and beyond organic movements in Chile, Latin America and the world. In the Organic World Congress, participants have the opportunity to shape ideas, problems, solutions, and challenges according to their economic, social, and cultural conditions of life. Furthermore, the Organic World Congress in Puerto Varas, Chile, will have the following specific objectives:

- Create initiatives to carry out national projects such as small producers in the organic agriculture sector in Chile and Latin America, based on respect for cultural diversity and ethnic groups in Chile, Latin America and the world.
- Promote links between the organic movement in all its diversity such as: producers, NGOs, public officials, academics, experts, consultants and entrepreneurs from different nations.

Why Puerto Varas, Chile?

Puerto Varas is renowned as “the city of roses”. Puerto Varas and the Lagos Region, where this city is located, are carrying out projects of sustainable development, ecological agriculture, and organic certification processes. These elements nurture the current organic movement in Chile, extending to Latin America and the world. Other reasons to hold the Organic World Congress 2024 in Puerto Varas are:

- Chile is recognized for its biological and cultural diversity. This diversity determines the collective actions of the Chilean organic movement, which, at the same time, is a crucial actor of the Latin American organic movement.
- Chilean institutions have been developing research and funding initiatives to support local producers, including Young people, women, indigenous peoples, and ethnic groups. Through these actions, a cultural diversity framework for sustainable and organic agriculture is emerging. The myriad stakeholders of the organic movement that attend to IFOAM International congress can include this cultural diversity emphasis in their projects and business ideas.
- During the last ten years, organic production has increased in Chile. That is why the holding of the World Organic Congress in Puerto Varas, Chile will help to create greater awareness about the importance of organic production in Chile and Latin America, for the development of equity and food security.

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