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28 – 30 April 2026

IFOAM Animal Husbandry Alliance (IAHA) invites Organic animal husbandry: a role model for the future of livestock?

A strategic vision conference at FiBL Switzerland

Why this conference?

Debates on the future of livestock farming are often polarized between highly efficient animal production in closed-barn systems and societal claims for an end of animal farming altogether. Both extremes disconnect animals from balanced and holistic production systems. Organic livestock husbandry unites sustainability and ethics based on integrative systems and ethical values, providing a clear role and respect for the animal.

As organic movements, we need a unified voice to contribute our perspective to these global debates. In this conference we plan to do just that – to meet, advance bold declarations on our positions, and draft roadmaps for the sustainable future of global animal husbandry. Interested? We hope so!

Target audience

We invite practitioners, researchers, association members, advisors, as well as interested consumers, supply chain actors and policymakers engaged in organic livestock from all continents to this three-day strategic visioning conference.

Venue

The conference will be held at the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture FiBL in Frick, Switzerland.

Conference format

The IAHA 2026 conference will use an innovative format to seek answers from the organic movement worldwide to the central questions and challenges concerning global animal husbandry. Conference sessions and workshops will be discussion-based, and we therefore invite contributions in the form of essays, as well as scientific contributions in the form of posters. We particularly welcome the perspectives of non-scientists. Each session will begin with oral presentations by selected contributors and conclude with a broader discussion that is open to all participants.

Important dates

- 01 March 2025: Call for contributions
- 15 September 2025: Deadline for Submission of Contributions
- 01 October 2025: Registration opens
- 31 January 2026: Registration closes
- 31 March 2026: Final program published
- 28 – 30 April 2026: IAHA Conference 2026, FiBL Frick



How to participate

Are you interested in participating at the IAHA 2026 conference? For more information see conference website at:

www.iaha2026.org

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