

NURTURING THE CULTURE OF INNOVATION IN ORGANIC AGRICULTURE

4TH ORGANIC FARMING INNOVATION AWARD (OFIA) SUMMIT

at Biofach India, New Delhi, India | November 11, 2016



The **4th Organic Farming Innovation Award (OFIA) Summit** will be held on **November 11, 2016**, during Biofach India, November 10-12, 2016 at the NSIC Technical Services Centre in Okhla, New Delhi, India.

The Summit will have the thematic focus on **Nurturing the Culture of Innovation in Organic Agriculture**. Organic Agriculture has the potential to ameliorate the tremendous challenges of the 21st century. To successfully address the challenges, the organic agriculture sector needs to facilitate, experiment, document, communicate and nurture innovations. The newly formed Innovation Committee of IFOAM - Organics International will be for the first time participating in this OFIA Summit.

There will be three panel discussions, with an input from a keynote speaker in between. The panelists will discuss how innovations can spur and nurture the growth of organic agriculture as envisioned in Organic 3.0.

PROGRAM

14:00 - SUMMIT LAUNCH: **MARKUS ARBENZ & DR. RA**

14:15 - 14:45 | Panel Discussion 1: THE ROLE OF INNOVATION: **DAVID GOULD & PROF. AKSOY, BARBARA ZILLY**

14:45 - 15:05 | KEYNOTE: **PROF. UGAS**

15:05 - 16:05 | Panel Discussion 2: NURTURING THE CULTURE OF INNOVATION: **ASHISH GUPTA, LIVIA ORTOLANI, DR. ARDAKANI, DR. CHOI & SEBASTIAAN HUISMAN**

16:05 - 16:50 | Panel Discussion 3: DECLARATION: **KRISTIN KARLSSON, DR. KIM & MANOJ KUMAR MENON**

16:50 - 17:00 | Closure

Overall Moderation: **MARKUS ARBENZ**

WHAT IS OFIA?

The Organic Farming Innovation Award (OFIA) is the prize of the Organic Movement to highlight organic innovations of scientists, extension agents and practitioners. Once every three years, at the Organic World Congress (OWC), the Rural Development Administration (RDA) of the Republic of Korea, IFOAM - Organics International and IFOAM Technology Innovation Platform (TIPI) award great organic innovations and their discoverers. By highlighting the innovations, OFIA wants to motivate innovations and to boost their uptake.

OFIA is an initiative of the government of the Republic of Korea in remembrance of the 17th OWC 2011 held in its Gyeonggi Province. The OFIA Committee selects a Grand Prize and a Science Prize winner each, based on the criteria of innovativeness, relevance, applicability and impact potential.

The deadline for the submission of your innovation for the next OFIA is 1 March, 2017. The prizes will be awarded at the 19th Organic World Congress in New Delhi in November 2017. For more information on OFIA, visit www.ifoam.bio/ofia

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