WELCOME TO FRANCE

The birthplace of IFOAM in 1972.

The country which enabled the signing of the Paris Agreement on climate change in 2015.

A cradle of inspiration for the arts, for technical and technological innovation, and for creativity; famous for its gastronomy, the importance attached to sharing meals with family and friends, and its local markets.

An agricultural nation, enjoying a growth in organic farming and consumption: 16% more organic surface area in 2016; 12% more producers; 20% more products sold; and 7 out of 10 French people regularly consuming organic products.

A land with a jewel in its crown - Brittany - an agricultural region benefiting from both land and sea, with a vibrant community, science and technology network.

A Congress dedicated to inspiration

In Rennes, a historic city, capital of biodiversity in 2016, where all destinations are easily accessible on foot; at the ‘Couvent des Jacobins’ in the heart of the city, a conference venue with a magical atmosphere, equipped with the latest technology.

An inspiring Congress, in which innovations, skills, and knowledge can be shared: markets, demonstrations, and farm tours complete the programme of conferences, and encourage fruitful encounters.

A rejuvenating Congress for France’s organic community, which has come together to organise the Congress in the best possible way, and is keen to strengthen its ties with stakeholders from around the globe: producers, processors, and consumers.

A Congress focused on life, the gateway to the organic practices of the future, with a knowledge base refreshed by practitioners and researchers.

A proposal submitted by French members of IFOAM and supported by national, regional, and local public authorities. A multi-stakeholder cooperative, with experience of previous IFOAM congresses and a strong presence in European networks.

FROM ITS ROOTS

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