WORLD BOARD TERM REPORT

2014 - 2017
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Welcome to the 22nd General Assembly (GA) of IFOAM - Organics International! After three years of intensive work to the cause of the Organic Movement, time has come to meet and reflect about achievements and future directions.

The global GA is the highest body of the organic movement that one can imagine. Many other movements envy the organic movement for having such an institution and such high legitimation of our decisions. Over 900 affiliates from more than 120 countries have the right to participate and over 600 members enjoy the right to vote and decide on our leadership, our plans and the issues of highest relevance. These decisions impact not only our sector worth over 80 billion US$ in consumer purchases with millions of certified and non-certified organic producers in almost every country of this world. They influence the relationship to likeminded movements and they inspire their agenda. Partners and targets of our advocacy in the agriculture, food, textile and cosmetics systems also take note of the decisions taken during the two days of the GA. The impact of the organic movement that we see for instance in limiting GMOs to a few countries, in the global recognition of agro-ecological approaches or in improved sustainability of so many organic and non-organic operations, is based on stakeholder actions that are guided by this GA.

While the “IFOAM - Organics International In Action” leads you through the process of the GA and facilitates your decisions, this report focuses on the World Board term 2014 – 2017. You learn what the World Board did with your mandate and trust from the GA 2014 in Istanbul. We include the financial statuses, implementation of the motions and strategic developments of the movement (what we call Organic 3.0) and how this has translated into the institutional strategic plan of IFOAM - Organics International. We also include the report of the Internal Auditors, Steffen Reese and Uygun Aksoy, which you mandated at the last GA to observe operations.

Several World Board members will not run for another term (Andre Leu, Roberto Ugas, Gaby Soto, Eva Torremocha, Manjo Smith, Mathew John and Zeijang Zhou). This report provides you information on their achievements so that you can express your fact based appreciation. Frank Eyhorn, Peggy Miars and Gerold Rahman offer their commitment for another term. This report helps you to decide if they further deserve your trust.

You can also read a summary of many earlier reports published in our monthly newsletter, The Insider, in the annual reports or audit statements. In addition, many of our projects have special annual reports to keep record of actions and achievements. Don’t hesitate to consult those documents should you wish to learn more about the wealth and diversity of actions taken during the last three years. The office is happy to be at your service to facilitate the exercising of your rights.

Organically,
Markus Arbenz
Executive Director
IFOAM - Organics International
Interview with André Leu

André Leu, organic farmer from Australia, is the author of *The Myths of Safe Pesticides* and President of IFOAM - Organics International, 2011 - 2017. As he will no longer be running for the World Board, we asked him to not only review the past with us but also cast an eye into the future.

As your tenure comes to a close, what would you consider the highlights of your time as President of IFOAM - Organics International?

This is a hard question to answer, as there have been so many highlights. Organic 3.0 is definitely one of the most important. This concept has resonated with organic stakeholders and other groups around the globe. I have spoken at numerous events on every arable continent on this and the feedback has been very positive.

Another is the 4 per 1000 initiative that we signed at Paris climate change meeting in 2015. We are signature number 7. This initiative, which aims to improve the organic matter content and promote carbon sequestration in soils through the application of agricultural practices, is part of the Paris – Lima accord of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and is supported by more that 30 countries, as well as the Food & Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR), as well as hundreds of NGOs.

It is significant in that it will see a major shift in agricultural practices. It will change farming from being one of the major greenhouse gas emitters to being one of major solutions by taking CO2 out of the atmosphere and storing it in the soil as soil organic matter. This will also increase the resilience and adaptation of agriculture to the weather extremes that are being caused by climate change. Organic agriculture will have a substantial role in this project due to our proven ability to increase soil organic matter.

Where do you see the greatest challenges and indeed potential for organic in the coming years.

The major challenge for organic agriculture is to improve our yields. Until we do this, government policy-makers and researchers will largely ignore us, as they believe that higher yields are needed to feed a growing population. This, however, is very debatable. Fortunately, we are starting to get research showing how organic systems can get equal and higher yields. We need to start scaling this up and out.

Do you have any words of advice to share with your successor?

Be a good listener and accessible to our members and stakeholders. I was invited to speak at many events, however equally important was to listen and learn about the issues that are important.

We thank André for his years of commitment and dedication as well as the many successes we achieved under his tenure. He persistently pursued the organic cause in various UN institutions and processes. His book *The Myths of Safe Pesticides* contributed significantly to raising public understanding of the dangers of pesticides. He brought awareness of the need for change to leading opinion makers, world leaders and even royalty. This though is only the tip of the iceberg, his achievements are simply too many to list here. We wish him all the best for the future and are confident our paths will cross again.
Executive Board Commitments

**André Leu, President**

I regard being elected as President of IFOAM - Organics International as the greatest honor that can be given to an organic farmer, so consequently I chose to make it a full time job. I put my farm on hold, just keeping up with all the ongoing maintenance, so I could concentrate on doing my best as President.

The President has a number of roles. The five that were very important to me were:

1. to represent IFOAM - Organics International at events around the world,
2. to advocate and promote the multifunctional benefits of organic agriculture,
3. to meet our affiliates and stakeholder and especially listen to them to understand their issues,
4. build networks and relationships between IFOAM and like minded organizations as well as strengthen links with United Nations, funding bodies and friendly governments and very importantly;
5. chairing World Board meetings where all members can participate and in most cases to build decisions by consensus.

Consequently in my six years as President. I gave hundreds of speeches, lectures, workshops and presentations at conferences, universities, trade shows, United Nations’ meetings, schools, farm sheds etc. on every arable continent. The size of the event didn’t matter. I was just as happy to talk to a group of students in a small classroom as to make at statement to a general assembly of the ambassadors of 196 countries at a United Nations’ (UN) meeting. I was just as comfortable squatting on the edge of a rice paddy with farmers as having a formal meeting with governors, royalty or ministers.

I wrote and published many articles for newspapers, magazines, UN publications, peer reviewed journals, E newsletters, blog sites. I did countless media interviews for radio, TV, YouTube, websites, magazines, books etc.

I put a lot of effort into establishing and maintaining key relationships with the UN, government officials etc. ensuring that IFOAM and our messages are seen as credible and that Organic Agriculture is included in decisions made on the future of agriculture, climate change and food security.

My nine years on the World Board have been truly wonderful years. Along with many World Board colleagues, IFOAM management and staff, we have seen IFOAM continue to grow in size, in influence and in credibility.

**Eva Torremocha, Vice President 2016-2017**

- Participation in UNFCCC COP 21 activities.
- Representation at AgriNatura (International association of agrarian Universities) and European Summer school on Agroecology.
- World Forum on Access to Land local coordination and follow up.
- Seminar with South American researchers to reciprocal strengthen Agroecology.
- Monitored PGS/CSA Project for ERASMUS+ funding.
- Member of the FAO Conference on Agroecology for Europe and Middle Asia advisory panel.
- Meeting with Spanish cooperation agency for common strategy building.
- Spoke at a well-attended hearing organized by the commission of agriculture at European parliament with good presence of parliamentarians. Proposals for inclusion of Organic Farming in the future CAP.
- Participated in talks/calls/ about EU regulation within Spanish members.

**Manjo Smith, Vice President 2014-2015**

- Held various discussions with South African stakeholders about the need for and development of IFOAM Southern Africa Network. EOA Secretariat agreed to fund participation of Southern African representatives in a pre-EOA meeting for the development of IFOAM Southern Africa.
- Participated in the South African GI2/Naturland Organic Roundtable Discussion and organic market survey, South Africa.
- Completed the development of the Namibian Organic Production Manual for Crops, Horticultural and Livestock.
- Presented at FAO’s workshop on Innovative approaches to linking sustainable and agro-ecological production with markets in developing countries, Bogotá, Colombia.

**Frank Eyhorn, Vice President 2014-2017**

- Initiated a revision of the organizational strategy and actively participated in the task force. Supported drafting, finalizing and launching the new strategy. Conceptual inputs to Organic 3.0 documents and video.
- Launched work of the Fundraising task force to develop a detailed fundraising strategy; coordinated fundraising pilots to test the strategy. Intensive and successful fundraising for communication activities and for the Organic Academy, and facilitated access to new donors, particularly foundations.
- Conceptualized and initiated the communications project “Food for Life” to raise consumer awareness on sustainable food choices – a key project of the new Outreach & Communications department. Formed a broad alliance of likeminded organizations (including UNEP, Greenpeace, Slow Food, Fairtrade, SSNC, Soil Association, FiBL, organic trade associations). Raised funds for project implementation and supported developing a communication strategy involving an international communications agency.
- Facilitated linkages with the Sustainable Food Systems Program together with Gábor, and got our communications project endorsed as an affiliated project. Networking with FAO, UNEP and IFAD.
- Represented IFOAM - Organics International at ISEAL, identified synergies (communicating impact, innovation, true cost, advocacy) and joined the ISEAL Stakeholder Council (based on a member motion at GA 2014). Keynote speaker at Global Sustainability Standards Conferences, particularly on the credibility and role of different sustainability standards.
- Conducted a symposium on pesticide reduction with André as keynote speaker, and a panel discussion on the role of biocontrol. Results were taken up by the UN Special Rapporteur on the Right to Food.
- Developed a strategic partnership with the EAT Forum. Organized a session on “Driving change towards sustainable food systems” based on our theory of change. Networking with the Global Alliance for the Future of Food and other important possible allies.
- Became member of the committee to advice the Swiss government on international agriculture topics / FAO. Influencing the agenda setting in line with Organic 3.0.
World Board Commitments

**Mathew John**
- Represented IFOAM - Organics International at BIOFACH India and BIOFACH Japan.
- International PGS workshop, Sunshine Farms, China.
- Member of Congress Steering Committee for OWC 2017.
- Facilitated meeting between Organic Farming Association of India (OFAI) & World Fair Trade Organization (WFTO) team in preparation for OWC 2017.
- Worked with ED and the E-Board to organize a meeting with different stakeholders of OWC 2017, primarily OFAI & PDA (who won the bid) and ICCOA & NM/Biofach. Successful outcome of the meeting at Bangalore where Frank and himself helped to bring both groups to an agreed framework for working together for OWC 2017.
- Panel discussion at the Women’s Forum in Mauritius - Climate, agriculture, biodiversity: Ways Forward.
- Keynote speaker at 3rd Mindful Markets Forum, Bangkok - Organics for System Change.
- Workshops on PGS & Organic Farming in India, Bangkok.
- support to IFOAM Asia in its programmes and membership.
- working with the Indian govt to enable PGS recognition at various levels.

**Peggy Miars**
- Presentation at Organic 3.0 conference in South Korea, Oct. 2015.
- Served on the IFOAM North America initiative steering committee and chaired the group’s inaugural General Assembly in 2016.
- Ongoing participation in IOAS Board of Directors meetings, emails and discussions.
- Oral comments to the USDA National Organic Standards Board meeting.
- Communication to North American members inviting them to exchange about matters of IFOAM - Organics International at trade shows and events. Organized a members and friends meeting with David Gould during Natural Products Expo West in Anaheim, California.
- Visited members while at the Guelph Organic Conference in Guelph, Ontario, Canada. Gave a brief presentation about Organic 3.0 during the annual Traders Breakfast at the Guelph Organic Conference.
- Attended IFOAM North America Board of Directors meetings.
- Wrote with David Gould a blog about Organic 3.0 for the Rodale Institute http://rodaleinstitute.org/organic-3-0/
- Explored a potential new IFOAM - Organics International/IOAS/OMRI program idea with Ken Commins of IOAS.
- Reviewed aquaculture survey results and discussed World Board motion.

**Roberto Ugas**
- Participated in the SOAAN discussions (Organic 3.0) as part of the Core Group in the first phase.
- Lecture and field visit for participants from the IFAD-INOFOS training course, organized by Patricia Flores.
- Represented SOCLA at the Latin American regional meeting on Agroecology, FAO, Brasilia, June 2016.
- Lead WB seminar on 3.0 and participated in 3.0 conference in Goesan, Korea, September 2015. Collaborated in the revision of the public document.
- Chaired the steering committee Nutrition in Mountain Agroecosystems (NMA) project of IFOAM - Organics International, FiBL and Helvetas. Support to IFOAM/NMA Project in meeting with FAO regarding local markets, Lima.
- Got IFOAM Latin America collaboration into an EU project coordinated by ANPE with UNALM participating, both IFOAM members; actively worked to get official recognition of PGS.
- Member of the One World Award Committee: screening submissions, skype meetings.
- Organized a UNALM–ICROFS–IFOAM seminar in Lima on 8/2016 about agroecology, nutrition and policies. ICROFS provided speakers from Denmark, France, Tanzania, Costa Rica, Mexico and Brazil. IFOAM participated through the NMA project. Very good attendance and high-level government representation. An outcome is an official go ahead to develop legislation to recognize PGS as a valid guarantee system in Peru.
- Met with Chile’s competent authority on OA to study their “PGS” recognition system.
- Spoke at Colombia’s national conference on organic products in Bogotá, 7/2016, invited by FEDEORGANICOS.
- Draft of a book chapter (Organic agriculture in Latin America), Burleigh Dodds Science Publishing.
- Review and publication of paper on PGS global study in journal Agroecology and Sustainable Food Systems (Home et al: Ugas, Bouagnimbeck and Arbenz as co-authors).

**Gabi Soto**
- Participation in SOAAN Meetings.
- TIPI Board related activities: the document of research questions, Science Day at Biofach.
- Nominated with Andre as representative of IFOAM - Organics International to the IPES - Food Web (Panel of experts on Sustainable Food Systems), thanks to an invitation of Pat Mooney.
Organic 3.0

In 2014, the year of the General Assembly in Istanbul, IFOAM - Organics International, together with BIOFACH and many members, launched a global discussion termed ‘Organic 3.0’. It defined Organic 3.0 as the future direction of the movement and framework for institutional and strategic reforms. In more than three years of discussions of many organic think tanks, SOAAN (the Sustainable Organic Agriculture Action Network that is facilitated by IFOAM - Organics International) and the World Board distilled the essence of Organic 3.0 and now proposes it as an organic landmark, the highest level of our documents such as the four principles of organic agriculture. Milestones in this process were the Organic World Congress discussions in Istanbul and Delhi, the many BIOFACH and other conferences discussions around the world, the numerous think tank reports and articles, the extensive consultations of IFOAM - Organics International and the first and second editions of the ‘Organic 3.0, for truly Sustainable Farming and Consumption’ publications by Markus Arbenz, David Gould and Christopher Stopes.

Zejiang Zhou

- Worked for IFOAM Asia in the preparation of Goesan Expo and events.
- IFOAM and IFOAM Asia Membership development in China.
- Attended Lohas Expo in Hong Kong and gave two presentations.
- Joined the Steering Committee skype meetings for preparation of URGENCI conference to be held in Beijing. Addressed and presented at Natural and Organic Products Expo in Shenzhen, China. Provided CSA and PGS presentations to various workshops and training seminars.
- Preparation, organization and implementation of the 2nd Organic Asia Congress and 3rd IFOAM Asia General Assembly in Xichong, China.
- Organization and implementation of the Master Course of Organic Leadership Course in Korea.
- Organization and implementation of the Third ALGOA Training Course in Korea.
- Preparation for the Second Asia Youth Organic Forum, Shanghai.
- Organizing Asian delegates to participate in Organic World Conference.

Gerold Rahmann

- Represented IFOAM - Organics International in the World Board of ISOFAR at the preparation meeting of the Expo in Korea.
- Cooperation and harmonization of activities of ISOFAR with IFOAM Asia (Jennifer) at the Expo in Korea.
- Represented IFOAM - Organics International at the 18th German speaking bi-annual scientific conference in March 2015 in Berlin, the annual Conference of ‘Independent health adviser’ in May 2015, German strategic group ‘Future of Organic Research in Germany’ in May 2015 in Berlin; introduced Organic 3.0 positions of IFOAM Organics International in the strategic concept paper.
- Represented the World Board at the 5th Ukraine Organic Conference in April 2015 in Kiev
- Included position of IFOAM - Organics International in a workshop with the topic ‘World without Hunger’ in Addis Ababa in April 2015.
- Contributed to TiPi concept work
- Facilitated fundraising of IFOAM - Organics International in the finance and strategy task forces. Enabled getting GIZ mandates for PGS in Africa, for the Organic Working group of the GIZ Green Innovation Centers (Africa and India) and for OWC India.
The strategy of IFOAM - Organics International has evolved during the past decades. The institution started with an umbrella strategy, the main purpose of which was to build and unite the global organic movement through institutional membership and information sharing. It also played an instrumental role in facilitating the establishment of the global organic guarantee system e.g. with standards and accreditation. With the development of online tools and the institutional development of the sector, the focus of the early 2000s was on expansion throughout the whole world, with special attention on the global South. More and more, particularly through its strategy 2010, IFOAM - Organics International became a competence center for services to the organic movement worldwide. It rested its actions on five pillars (umbrella, advocacy, value chain, programs and academy) and defined its mission as leading, uniting and assisting the global organic movement in its full diversity.

The new strategic plan 2017 - 2025 positions IFOAM - Organics International as the organic change agent for true sustainability in agriculture, value chains and consumption in line with the principles of organic agriculture. Our mission is "Leading change, organically."

Change is achieved through the organic value chain, which we support through three pillars of action:

1. **Supply**: Facilitation of capacity development for truly sustainable production.

2. **Demand**: Campaigning to multipliers of communication and offering a resource center for organic communication.

3. **Policy and Guarantee**: Advocating for a conducive policy environment and offering competence on guarantee systems and policy development at national and global level.

The strategic plan is published on the Website of IFOAM - Organics International and discussed with members in Webinars in October 2017.

We believe that the world faces many challenges, but that agriculture – done differently - can be part of the solution. Organic agriculture – a dynamic and continuously developing farming system based on the science of agro-ecology – is a forerunner for truly sustainable agriculture and offers practical and systemic solutions to address hunger/inequity, climate change, biodiversity, depletion of natural resources and other issues.

The vision of IFOAM - Organics International is the broad adoption of truly sustainable agriculture, value chains and consumption in line with the principles of organic agriculture. Our mission is "Leading change, organically."

Download the strategic plan here: [www.ifoam.bio/strategic-plan](http://www.ifoam.bio/strategic-plan)
Highlights 2014 - 2017

Sector Development around the World

Back in 2014, we knew of 164 countries, with 68 million ha certified land organically managed by 1.9 million farmers and the global organic market was estimated at 50 billion €. Only 3 years later, we have 90 million ha in 179 countries, 2.4 million organic farmers and a market volume of 75 billion €. All global indicators show an upward trend and we observe a disproportionally high growth in field crops with high productivity. Only in some regions of the world e.g. in parts of Latin America and the Pacific Islands, and in certain crops (e.g. citrus fruits or cotton) can we see stagnation.

Here are some impressive examples of growth:

• The organic certified agriculture areas of Bolivia, Russia and India have increased by 250%, 163% and 136%. And even Australia, the country traditionally with the most organic agriculture land, grew by 47%.

• The organic markets in Sweden, Spain and Ireland grew by 88,0%, 50,1% and 43,4%.

• At the last GA, the statistics for organic sales in China showed only 800 million € and now it is 4.7 billion €. This marks an increase of 480% and now China is the 4th largest organic market, worldwide.

• North America increased its share in the organic market from 48.4% to 50.8%, which is now more than the rest of the world.

• The per capita consumption in Switzerland increased from 189 to 262 €. The global per capita consumption increased from 9 to 10.3 €. Denmark has an organic market share of 8.4% (up from 7.6%)

• IFOAM - Organics International increased its annual turnover from 1.5 to 3.6 (budget 2017) million €. In 2014, this was 0.0022% and it is now 0.0048% of the global organic market, which means it grew faster than the sector and increased its coordination power.

Membership & IFOAM Action Group Development

In this World Board term, membership has steadily increased. It went from 815 affiliates in 120 countries at the end of 2014 to 833 affiliates in 121 countries by the end of 2016. We see this positive trend continue with 894 affiliates in 121 countries by August 31, 2017. This in total represents 600 members, 121 associates and 173 supporters and includes 260 NGOs, 45 governmental and 300 private sector organizations. The region with the most affiliates is Europe with 337 followed by Asia with 314 and Africa with 82. north America, Latin America and Oceania are represented with 74, 66 and 21 affiliates respectively.

The IFOAM Action Group has grown since the GA 2014 by the following members: IFOAM Seeds Platform, IFOAM Apiculture Forum and IFOAM North America.

Since 2012, global membership fees dedicated to regional development have been shared with IFOAM EU, IFOAM AgrBioMediterraneo, IFOAM Asia and in 2017 for the first time also with IFOAM North America. A detailed report on investments in regional development in strategic regions can be found below.
An annual Leadership Session was introduced the day before BIOFACH Germany to bring the Action Group leaders together with the Executive Board and management to exchange success stories, challenges and strategize. Strategic talks with all Self-organized Structures were also held around BIOFACH every year. The IFAD-supported project to strengthen INOFO’s structure and capacity was successfully completed in 2016.

Advocacy Highlights

The last 3 years were key for the future of humanity: Countries adopted a new sustainable development agenda for the next 15 years and a global agreement on climate change including the goal to promote sustainable agriculture. Due partly to our advocacy efforts and those of our partners, UN organizations are shifting their programs and messages on sustainable agriculture in line with those of the organic movement.

The adoption of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Climate Agreement provides organic agriculture with many opportunities to bring true sustainability to agriculture.

We see the results of our efforts to bring change to thematic UN years and decades such as soils, family farming, biodiversity and nutrition and how investing in organic agriculture can address goals on hunger and malnutrition, poverty, water use, climate change, and unsustainable production and consumption when:

1. **High-level UN documents acknowledge the importance of organic agriculture:**
   - The UN Secretary General’s report on Agricultural Technology acknowledges that organic agriculture can increase and stabilize yields significantly in developing countries.
   - All farmers’ organizations recognize the importance of organic agriculture at the IFAD Farmers’ Forum.
   - The concept note for the Decade of Action on Nutrition and the outcome document of the 2016 World Mountain Forum incorporates our messages on the importance of diversity in diets as well as in agriculture.

2. **Together with our Ambassadors, we get seats at global bodies and a chance to speak at UN events:**
   - We become co-leader of the Farmers’ Major Group in UN processes regarding Agenda 2030.
   - We are elected by civil society organizations to be a member of the Multi-stakeholder Advisory Committee for the Sustainable Food Systems Programme (SFSP) of the 10-year Framework Programme on Sustainable Consumption and Production. SFSP selects 8 core initiatives to pursue globally as flagships for sustainable food systems, we are partner in 4 of them and are now regularly invited to speak at FAO events.
   - We are approved as an official member of the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Civil Society Network (CSN) and the Global Soil Partnership.
   - INOFO gets a seat at the IFAD Farmers Forum Steering Committee.
   - We speak at FAO global and regional symposia on agroecology, which then acknowledges the ability of organic farming to manage our scarce resources in a sustainable way.
   - We address organic agriculture and the role of traceability as a model for connecting to consumers at the IFAD AgTalks.
• We take a firm stand for smallholders worldwide in the G7 dialogue with civil society.

3. Our messages are amplified by scientific and other media and civil society actions:
• The IPES-Food report has made a clear stand for organic agriculture giving an overview of its beneficial impacts on natural resources;
• a scientific study published by Nature Plants and picked up by Time magazine recognizes OA as being key to feeding the world sustainably.
• The Rights of Nature Tribunal in Paris explains why the actions of the agro-food industry are massive violations of Nature’s Rights.

Policy Toolkits on Organic Regulation and Supporting Policies

During this World Board term, IFOAM - Organics International developed two sets of tools to guide policymakers and advocates in developing or improving policies that affect organic agriculture. The ‘Organic Regulation Toolkit’ was published in 2015 and the ‘Global Policy Toolkit on Public Support to Organic Agriculture’ in 2017. Both toolkits are available for free on the website of IFOAM - Organics International.

• The ‘Organic Regulation Toolkit’ is designed for governments, organic sector organizations, consultants and others involved in the development of organic guarantee systems and regulations. It presents an overview of the voluntary and regulatory instruments that can be used to support the development of appropriate frameworks including a variety of voluntary and regulatory instruments. The toolkit was designed based on best practices identified through a global review of organic guarantee systems and regulations, and decades of experience in advising governments and the private sector in this area. It contains a range of templates, policy briefs and links, and an overall decision tree to guide the users towards the most appropriate tools and templates depending on their country situation.

• The ‘Global Policy Toolkit on Public Support to Organic Agriculture’ is aimed at those involved in advocating for pro-organic policies, designing them, or deciding on them. It presents a range of public policies and programs that have been used worldwide to support organic agriculture at various levels of government (from municipal to national and supra-national). The toolkit contains a series of tools, including a main report, the ‘Guidelines for Public Support to Organic Agriculture’, policy briefs, power point presentations, links to case studies and a decision-aid to guide users towards the most relevant policy measures depending on their country situation.

Communication and Media

The last three years have seen considerable changes in our communications. We expanded our presence on social media significantly and, combined, have almost 20,000 followers on Twitter and Facebook. Live coverage on Twitter of the People’s Assembly and Monsanto Tribunal reached over 150,000 people. Over 20 videos have been released including messages from leading thinkers and activists such as Dr. Vandana Shiva and Hans Herren, short films where organic farmers from Kenya share their experiences and highlights from the Organic Academy. Across the board partnerships have been strengthened and new alliances built, increasing our visibility, outreach and potential impact. In addition, we initiated the conceptualization of Food for Life, a global campaign to encourage consumers for more sustainable food choices, in collaboration with a broad alliance of like-minded organizations.
Development Cooperation, Organically

The Programs Pillar of IFOAM - Organics International continued to expand and improve on providing organic solutions for the sustainable development of rural communities. Altogether 13 projects in more than 20 countries targeted smallholder farmers, producers and processors, exporters and policy makers. We also acquired new funding opportunities that pave the way for putting the principles we stand for into practice.

The Swedish-funded ‘Organic Trade in East Africa’ (OTEA) project, a follow-up of earlier projects, continues to focus on the development of regional trade in the East African Community by establishing a smooth Organic Guarantee System. Policy development and advocacy at national and regional level are complementary measures to strengthen processes. Implemented with AfrOnet and the National Organic Movements in Uganda, Kenya, Tanzania, Rwanda and Burundi as implementing partners. Budget: 2.6 Million € 2014 – 2018.

The ‘Nutrition in Mountain Agro-ecosystems (NMA)’, together with our members, FiBL and Helvetas, funded by the Swiss Government, addresses poverty and malnutrition in mountain agro-ecosystems and promotes Nutrition Sensitive Agriculture at local level for diversification of diets to combat the stunting of children and malnutrition of women. NMA acts at national levels in Nepal, Pakistan, Kyrgyzstan, Ethiopia and Peru and advocates at global level. Budget 2.5 Million € 2015 - 2018.

The EU-funded ‘Building Organic Bridges in North Korea’ (BOKK I) came to an end and has been evaluated. The dissemination of knowledge and exchange of information led to a greater understanding of how vital Organic Agriculture is in assuring food and nutrition security. The successor project BOKK II looks also beyond production and addresses nutrition, particularly for women. Budget ? 2011 – 2019?

For the IFAD – funded ‘Intercontinental Network of Organic Farmers Organizations’ (INOFO), 2016 was an important year which saw strengthening of the network that facilitates relationship building between organic farmers’ unions. Knowledge dissemination and learning were also of importance. Visit www.inofo.org.

Organic Academy

During this term, the Academy celebrated its 5th year of existence. Apart from expanding the Organic Leadership Course, the Academy also added customised products and services.

From 2015 to 2017, we trained another 150 participants, bringing the total now to over 230 alumni from more than 50 countries. Trainings have now been conducted on 4 continents: Europe, Asia, America and Africa.

Four OLC Alumni are now members of the Head Office staff, four more are in leadership positions in our SoS and sector platforms, two current World Board members also count to our alumni. OLC alumni continue to make their impact felt around the world, with alumni being invited to train, teach, consult and contribute in numerous events, workshops and projects world-wide.

We celebrated our 5th year by bringing 24 alumni together for the first ever OLC Master Class, where knowledge and skills were deepened. The Academy also conducted a Training of Trainers to expand the training capacity to multiple regions and languages.

Additional capacity development programs now form part of our development projects. Capacity development of Rural Service Providers in NMA also benefit from the skill of the Organic Academy, as did the IFAD-INOF0 project.

In addition, the Academy also conducted a series of shorter training courses in Bangladesh, Mongolia, Japan, China and Korea while continuing a successful partnership with the Rural Development Administration of Korea to develop the capacity of its extension staff to support organic conversion and production.
Performance 2014 - 2017

PUBLICATIONS:
• Annual Reports (2014, 2015, 2016) IFOAM Annual Report
• Strategic Plan of IFOAM - Organics International
• The Insider (31 editions)
• The Global PGS Newsletter (18 editions)
• OGIS Courier
• Organic 3.0, 2015, 2016
• Best Practice Guidelines
• Advocacy publications
• Study on promoting policies
• Global map of PGS initiatives
• Position papers
• various leaflets
• 17 Press Releases

MoUs:
• 18 Partnership Agreements in 12 countries.

EVENTS:
• Organic Week @ Expo Milano, Expo Milano with Nuremberg Messe, September 2015
• Regional conference of Marketing & Innovation in Organic Agriculture, Goesan County, South Korea October 2nd-3rd 2015
• 3rd Organic Farming Innovation Award Summit, Goesan, South Korea, October 3rd, 2015
• 4th Organic Farming Innovation Award Summit, New Delhi, India, November 11th, 2016
• The People's Assembly & Monsanto Tribunal, (Co-organiser with Navdanya, Regeneration International and others) the Netherlands, October 13th –15th, 2016
• Bayer GA protests 2017
• Nuremberg Menope Trade Fair in Dubai
• GBF 2016, Legu, with Rapunzel, Germany
• BIOFACH/SOAn core group for True Cost Accounting

DECLARATIONS:
• OWC 2014 Declaration
• AFSA Conference 2016
• OFIA declarations (2015, 2016)

CONSULTATIONS:
• GMOs
• Consultation on strategy for replacing cell fusion cultivars
• New Breeding Techniques

CONSULTANCIES:
• Organic 3.0, Aquaculture
• Use of “Natural” to label food
• Agroecology and likeminded Movements
• Membership
• Strategy of IFOAM - Organics International

ELECTRONIC GA 2016
• GMO position and signature rights for the ED

VIDEOS
Over 20 videos have been released including messages from leading thinkers and activists such as Dr. Vandana Shiva and Hans Herren, organic farmers from Kenya or highlights from the Organic Academy.

PATRONAGE AND PROMOTION AGREEMENTS
• BIOFACH/Nuremberg Messe
• .bio and .organic Internet extensions
• Menope Trade Fair in Dubai

NEW COMMITTEES, TASK FORCES AND SELF-ORGANISED STRUCTURES
• Innovation committee, powered by bio.inspecta
• IFOAM Seeds Platform
• IFOAM Apiculture Forum
• IFOAM North America
• Aquaculture working group together with IFOAM Aquaculture and supporting the IFOAM Standards Committee also powered by bio.inspecta
• Strategy Task Force and Advisory Group
• Fundraising task force
• World Board 2017 Nominations Committee
• SOOA core group for True Cost Accounting

KEY ADVOCACY PARTICIPATIONS
• UNFCCC COP 20, Lima, 2014
• UNFCCC COP 21, Paris, 2015
• UNFCCC COP 22, Marrakesh, 2016
• Various Bonn Climate Change Conferences, Bonn, May 2015, 2016 and 2017
• SDGs and Biodiversity

CONSULTANCIES:
• Mongolia for regulation support mandated by FAO (2015, JKA)
• Mexico for export regulation support mandated by SOMEXPRO (2015, JKA)
• Benin for PGS support mandated by Helvetas and GIZ (2015+2016, JKA)
• Taiwan for capacity building support with National Taiwan University (2015+2016, KH and DAG)
• Senegal for PGS support mandated by ASPAB (2016, JKA)
• Ethiopia for PGS training mandated by GIZ (2016, KH)
• Armenia for capacity assessment and regulation support mandated by OASI (2016+2017, MAR and JKA)
• Philippines for export regulation capacity building mandated by APO (2017, JKA)

NEW DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
• Organic Trade and Value Chain development in East Africa (OTEA) funded by SIDA, Budget 2,6 M € for 4 years
• Nutrition Sensitive Agriculture in Mountain Agro-ecosystems (NMA) funded by SDC, Budget 2,6 M CHF for 3 years.
• Building sustainable food systems in North Korea (BOKK)
General Assembly Motions

Motion 51:
Advocacy for Soil Conservation - Soils Campaign

IFOAM positions Organic Agriculture in the debate on soil conservation and fertility by running a campaign on the importance of Organic Agriculture in building soil health and soil carbon storage, hence showing the multifunctional benefits of soil organic matter in the UN International Year of Soils in 2015.

LEAD: Gábor Figeczky

REPORT: Motion implemented. The campaign was successfully completed in 2015 with soil remaining one of our main topics to work on including activities such as promoting and participating in the 4 pour 1.000 Initiative on soil carbon sequestration, effectively shaping the FAO Voluntary Guidelines on Sustainable Soil Management and being an active member of the Global Soil Partnership, People4Soil and Soil4Climate.

Motion 52:
Review of GE & GMO Position Paper

IFOAM further clarifies and strengthens its genetic engineering position paper, and promotes its updated position through its membership and action group at the appropriate levels and in relevant fora. That IFOAM reviews its GE positioning to ensure all new technology is evaluated and a consensus developed on its role.

LEAD: Gábor Figeczky and David Gould

REPORT: Motion implemented. A final version of the revised position paper was approved via electronic GA vote in November 2016, following two years of work that entailed: (i) 6 months of working group re-drafting of the original position; (ii) a round of stakeholder consultation on that initial redraft; (iii) a further revision by the working group; (iv) another round of stakeholder consultation on the proposed new document; (v) a member motions round and resolution process; (vi) a final GA vote. The end result is a new GMO Position Paper reached by a broad consensus, which was voted for by 86.4% of our voting members with 12.8% against. The Position Paper can be found on the website of IFOAM - Organics International.

Motion 53:
Closing Cycles in Organic Agricultural Systems

IFOAM initiates a debate on closing cycles in organic agricultural production systems, taking into account potentially high-risk substances and publishes a position paper on this topic critical to organic farming.

LEAD: Joelle Katto-Andrighetto

REPORT: Motion under implementation. A working group was built and it had a skype meeting in July 2015 and a concept paper for discussion is under development. The work will be completed in the next 3-year period.

Motion 54:
Like-Minded Movements

IFOAM strengthens its ties with like-minded initiatives and movements working on environment conservation and food systems such as agro forestry, Community Supported Agriculture and peasant organizations that share a common ground with Organic Agriculture so that IFOAM increasingly
Motion 55: Fair and Transparent Marketing Systems

IFOAM leads the debate, empowered by the organic movement, on the concept of fair and transparent marketing systems, with the emphasis on farmer and consumer involvement with a view to improving the life, welfare and justice for farmers and farm workers. This could be done by establishing alliances with fair trade movements.

LEAD: Gábor Figeczky

REPORT: Motion under implementation. IFOAM - Organics International has constantly been challenging the negative impacts of conventional international trade. We are advocating together with the fair trade movements to help producers in developing countries achieve better trading conditions as well as improved social and environmental standards. Our solidarity towards smallholders is reflected in various publications of IFOAM - Organics International such as our position paper on smallholders, the Best Practice Guidelines and the Organic 3.0 brochure. We are seeking ways to institutionalize our relationship with the fair trade movements and collaborate more closely, e.g. on jointly implemented projects.

Motion 61: Replacement of Cell Fusion Varieties

Dependent on the financial means being available the General Assembly urges the IFOAM World Board to:

- Develop a strategy for the replacement of varieties derived from cell fusion, including protoplast and/or cytoplast fusion from organic farming practices.

- Define guidelines for the socio-economic implementation of such strategies.

- Promote alternative breeding programs like organic plant breeding to foster the development of cell fusion free varieties. In order to achieve these goals by the next G.A. in 2017, a working group should be established.

LEAD: Joelle Katto-Andrighetto

REPORT: Motion implemented. A situation analysis was performed and a strategy was developed in consultation with the membership and is now available.

Motion 62: Guidelines for New Breeding Techniques

Dependent on the financial means being available, the IFOAM General Assembly urges the IFOAM World Board to define guidelines for the use of varieties derived from new breeding techniques. This implies evaluating the compliance of new plant breeding techniques using the principles of Organic Agriculture, promoting a legally bound disclosure of breeding techniques that do not comply with
the principles of organic agriculture, and developing a strategy to prevent varieties derived from such breeding techniques from entering the organic sector. In order to achieve these goals by the next G.A. in 2017, a working group should be established.

LEAD: David Gould

REPORT: Motion addressed. A working group was established shortly after the passage of the motion and had preliminary exchanges in 2015. In 2016, it began drafting a position paper, the scope of which was expanded to cover all breeding techniques (ie not just for plants), and which was released for broad stakeholder consultation in February-March 2017. The responses triggered some (but not radical) revision of the position paper, which is put forward as part of a new motion to the 2017 GA. The position paper focuses on the organic sector’s right to protect its integrity and market claims, provides technical guidance on specific breeding techniques, and suggests how the organic sector may go forward. The new motion also addresses how the organic sector should carry out the recommendations of the position paper.

Motion 63:
Advocate Anti-Nuclear and Pro-Renewable Energy

Nuclear power generation can cause disasters of unspeakable proportions. The incidents in Chernobyl and Fukushima are proof of this. It is neither technologically safe nor ethically sound. Furthermore, nuclear power generation, as it stands today, is incompatible with organic agriculture, the principles of which guide us in our efforts to achieve greater sustainability based on recycling resources. IFOAM must advocate antinuclear and nuclear phase-out efforts, and promote renewable energy.

LEAD: Gábor Figeczky

REPORT: Motion under implementation. IFOAM - Organics International remains a vocal advocate of renewable energy. All relevant advocacy documents produced as part of the climate change campaign of IFOAM - Organics International clearly reflect the position in the motion. We became a supporter of the Global 100%RE network 2 years ago to endorse a transition to 100% renewable energy (RE) in energy supply. The factsheet in the pipeline on Organic Agriculture and Renewable Energy, to be finalized by end 2017, will be used to advocate for RE and against nuclear at the UNFCCC SB 46 in Bonn. Recruitment among members to actively use our Best Practice Guidelines is ongoing.

Motion 64:
IFOAM Should Resume its Engagement with the ISEAL Alliance Community

The ISEAL Alliance is now the major platform for dialogue and cooperation between the many sustainability standards. IFOAM was one of four founding members of the ISEAL Alliance, but is no longer a member. It is time for IFOAM to re-engage with the ISEAL community and to represent the global organic movement in dialogues on sustainability and also further enhance IFOAM’s credibility. The re-engagement shall be at the level of subscriber while exploring full membership in the coming three years. Organic is on the spectrum of sustainability standards, therefore the issues and codes of good practice which are debated and defined at ISEAL are organic issues.

LEAD: Joelle Katto-Andrighetto

REPORT: We re-joined ISEAL as a subscriber and IFOAM - Organics International has been represented at some ISEAL events, including 2016 ISEAL Conference where WB member Frank Eyhorn spoke on a plenary panel on the topic of the credibility of standards. He also joined the Stakeholder Council and discussions on collaboration on specific topics. We remain engaged in ISEAL consultations, such as on the new ISEAL Assurance code draft on which we have provided official comments.
Motion 65:
GE Contamination of Organic Seeds

IFOAM shall include the content of OSGATA’s motion and Policy on Organic Seed Contaminated by Genetic Engineering (GE) in the larger GE review and with the Seed Working Group:

“GE contamination of organic seed constitutes irreparable harm to the organic seed industry and undermines the integrity of organic seed. Any detectable level is unacceptable.”

IFOAM recognizes this policy as the appropriate working model for organic seed: seed companies may voluntarily adopt this policy and communicate compliance to their market(s), thereby embracing transparency as a market solution and establishing clarity that organic seed lots should not be sold as organic if containing detectable GE content.

LEAD: Joelle Katto-Andrighetto

REPORT: Motion implemented. This aspect is included in the new GMO position paper (see report to Motion 52).

Motion 66:
Establish a Beekeeping Group in IFOAM

• The objectives of the Organic Beekeeping group are:

• To launch development strategies for the organic beekeeping sector (studies, research concepts etc.).

• To include all forms of beekeeping, including indigenous, wild and traditional apiculture practice systems.

Currently, organic beekeeping standards focus merely on the quality aspect of beekeeping products (e.g. the quality of honey) and less on the needs of bees i.e. their health. Therefore, the establishment of an Organic Beekeeping Group is necessary to support the further development of the sector with research and analysis. Results will then be presented to the organic beekeeping sector and all of IFOAM showing potential for change and offering recommendations for the further development of the standards.

LEAD: Thomas Cierpka

REPORT: Motion implemented. The World Board approved the Rules of Procedure of the IFOAM Apiculture Forum in June 2015. The contract was signed with Manfred Fürst, Forum’s Coordinator from Germany in July 2015. While it is a small group of founding members there are always activities to recruit new members around BIOFACH in Germany. Apimondia as the world’s beekeeper’s association accepted the IFOAM Apiculture Forum as a partner in organizing the Organic Beekeeping Apimondia conference in September 2016 in Argentina. Funds for a professional website development have been raised and a website is published under: www.organicbeekeeping.info/home.html
Motion 67:
Farmer Representation

IFOAM shall actively motivate and invite organic farming organizations worldwide to become full members of the Federation in order to make use of the potential of the farming community by empowering organic farmers’ organizations.

LEAD: Denise Godinho

REPORT: Motion implemented. Contacts of farmers’ organizations from around the world were identified (through stakeholders and project databases) and used for direct marketing.

Relevant events (e.g. COP21 and various UN days) were used to put farmers in the foreground, using a combination of social media, our website and mail shots to share video interviews we conducted with farmers, highlighting the importance of organic farming. These materials were combined with a call for farmers’ organizations to join as affiliates.

In 2014, we had 135 organizations that represent or directly work with farmers. This figure has increased to 180 in 2017 (status 27.4.2017).

Motion 68:
IFOAM Animal Husbandry Alliance (IAHA) Plan of Action

In order to strengthen the international collaboration in animal husbandry, the IFOAM Head Office will support the IFOAM Animal Husbandry Alliance (IAHA), for the period 2014-2017, in developing and promoting an action plan for organic animal husbandry and to better link the different stakeholders around the world. This could happen through newsletters, forum discussions, and the development of positions for IFOAM (e.g. for standards discussions or lobbying). Key areas of organic animal husbandry include breeding, animal welfare, animal health, alternative treatments, etc.

An effort should be made by the IFOAM Board and Head Office to approach governments and non-governmental organizations linked to Organic Agriculture to find technical and financial resources to support the ‘Action Plan for the Development of Organic Animal Husbandry’. This shall be drafted during the workshops organized by IAHA, at the 18th Organic World Congress (OWC), where experts from all continents are expected.

LEAD: Thomas Cierpka

REPORT: Motion almost implemented. The OWC 2014 preconference on Animal husbandry was successfully completed, proceedings and the Istanbul Declaration all published, as well as an action plan agreed upon. Details you find here:


IAHA published and distributed a newsletter with the support of the Head Office and started to implement a blog discussion forum. The latter is not yet complete. An IAHA Board member was involved in implementing an EU funded project to promote organic animal husbandry in Eastern Turkey.

IAHA is engaged to prepare the 3rd IAHA Animal Husbandry Conference as preconference of the OWC in India on November 7 & 8, 2017. Details via the website above.

IFOM - Organics International has also completed the mandate from an earlier motion to develop a strategy on cell fusion varieties.
Internal Auditor’s Report 2014 – 2017

PURPOSE:
The purpose of the Internal Audit (IA) of IFOAM - Organics International is described in the corresponding Terms of Reference (ToR). The main objective is to assess whether the motions and recommendations of the previous General Assembly (GA) have been carried out and whether the activities developed and implemented are in accordance with the goals and objectives of IFOAM - Organics International.

AUDITORS:
By appointment of the General Assembly (GA) in Istanbul, Turkey in October 2014 Uygun Aksoy, Ege University/Ekolojik Tarım Organizasyonu Derneği (ETO), Turkey, and Steffen Reese, Naturland, Germany, were (re-) elected as Internal Auditors until the subsequent GA in Delhi, India, 2017.

ACTION TAKEN:
The audits were planned with the Head Office (HO) of IFOAM - Organics International. The HO sent most of the documents to the IAs before the meetings and some were presented during the audits. As defined in the Terms of Reference, the IAs evaluated the documents in line with the purpose of the audit and office reports. They paid visits to the HO in Bonn (Germany) and met with the World Board. Additionally, IAs held face-to-face discussions with the Executive Director, the Deputy Director and staff members on IA issues and what IFOAM - Organics International and the World Board have achieved.

REVIEW AND RESULTS:
The IAs have been informed well of activities carried out in this term as well as the strategy and budget allocations in accordance with the decisions approved by the GA. The motions and recommendations of the General Assembly (GA) held in Istanbul, Turkey in October 2014 were already evaluated and grouped into two as those given by the World Board (5x) and others (6x). In general it can be stated that all matters have been taken care of. In the evaluation of the motions, it was interesting to find out that few motions were not completely implemented due to the nature of the motion. Some motions do not have to be necessarily motions. In this respect, IAs proposed to prepare a clear guidance document on how to formulate a motion. The staff of IFOAM - Organics International supports the movement and is very engaged. Nevertheless, the IAs recommend that the departments be more integrated especially regarding the implementation of projects. A general impression of a motivated and well working team was given upon evaluation of the activities of World Board members.
## Statement of Income and Expenditures

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7. Silja Heiland – Intern / Programs (Germany)
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Over 500,000
- SDC, Switzerland
- Sida, Sweden

100,000 - 500,000
- Nürnberg Messe GmbH
- EU Commission, Belgium
- IFAD
- RDA, South Korea
- UNEP

30 - 100,000
- IOAS, USA
- Bio.inspecta, Switzerland
- Austrian Development Agency
- Hivos
- Asian Development Bank, Philippines
- FAO
- FiBL

10 - 30,000
- EOSTA
- CTA, The Netherlands
- HEKS-Eper, Senegal
- IOIA, USA
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- Organic Consumers Association, USA
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