



INTERNATIONAL SEMINAR

ON ORGANIC FARMING

18 June

2019

Espace
du Centenaire
PARIS

Organic Sector: Social and Environmental Issues

Tuesday 18th June 2019
From 9:30 am to 5:30 pm

Espace du Centenaire (Maison de la RATP) - 189, rue de Bercy - Paris 12e

In a recent report, the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) underlines the threat to our food system and more generally to our environment due to the loss of biodiversity. **Organic farming is a production method that preserves the environment.**

Agence BIO organizes a seminar to carry out a collective and participatory reflection. Several global stakeholders of the organic sector will present their commitment towards **available and affordable organic products, as well as international trade** that is respectful of nature and working conditions.

As the negotiations for the next Common Agricultural Policy are currently ongoing, the seminar will end with a **discussion on payments for environmental services and the funding schemes promoting nature conservation actions by organic farmers.**

9:30 am: General Introduction
« **The state of the world's biodiversity for food and agriculture** » - FAO

11:00 am: 1st Round Table
Towards an organic food available and affordable to all

2 :00 pm: 2nd Round Table
Towards fair organic trade

3 :30 pm: 3rd Round Table
Towards payments for environmental services

5:00 pm: Conclusion
By **M. Didier Guillaume**
French Minister for Agriculture and Food

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Welcome coffee

9:00 - 9:30 am

Moderator: Jean-Louis Caffier

Opening session & Introduction

9:30-10:00 am **Opening of the International Seminar on Organic Farming**

Philippe HENRY - President of Agence BIO

10:00-11:00 am **General introduction**

Julie BELANGER - Commission of Genetic Resources for Food and Agriculture of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), coordinator of "The state of the world's biodiversity for food and agriculture"

1st round table

11:00-12:30 am **Towards an organic food available and affordable to all**

Florent GUHL – Director of Agence BIO

Barometers of consumption of organic products: global trends

Ibrahima SECK - Coordinator at the National Federation for Organic Farming of Senegal (Senegal)

« Organic Senegal”: a Participatory Guarantee System

Lee HOLDSTOCK - Commercial Relations Manager - Soil Association (United Kingdom)

Online organic distribution in Great Britain

Ewa SUFFIN-JACQUEMART - Member of Dobrze Cooperative (Poland)

First organic cooperative in Poland reported by a member

Catherine CLOSSON - Scientific collaborator at the Center for Economic and Social Studies of the Environment, Free University of Brussels (Belgium)

Expectations and habits of multicultural and insecure public facing a bio offer

Case of a cooperative supermarket in Brussels.

- Discussion with the audience -

Organic lunch

12 :30 am -2 :00 pm

2nd round table

2:00–3:30 pm **Towards fair organic trade**

Michel REYNAUD - Member of the board of IFOAM Europe
The organic market worldwide

Elena PANICHI - Deputy Head of the Organic Unit of DG agriculture of European Commission
Organic regulations: future changes

Sébastien BALMISSE - Cocoa programs and Quality Manager Kaoka
Long-term partnerships between Kaoka and cooperatives

Vincenzo LINARELLO - Founder and President of GOEL Cooperative Group (Italy)
GOEL Bio: an ethical cooperative

- Discussion with the audience -

3rd round table

3:30-5:00 pm **Towards payments for environmental services**

Vincent MARTINET - Director of Research at INRA
Payment for environmental services: what are the issues?

Pascal OLIVIER - Responsable Antenne Romande at BIO Suisse
Ecological direct payment: a reality since 1993

Franck SOLACROUP - Director of the Water Resources and Aquatic Resources Department at Adour-Garonne water agency
The Payments for environmental service for the preservation of water quality?

Marie BEUCHET - Organic farmer and CEO of SA Naturalba (Costa Rica)
Which tools for the preservation of the forest?

- Discussion with the audience -

Conclusion

5:00 pm **Conclusion of the International Seminar on Organic Farming**

Closing address by Mr Didier Guillaume,
French Minister for Agriculture and Food

Opening session & Introduction

Philippe HENRY

President of Agence BIO



Philippe Henry has been President of Agence BIO since May 2019. He has been farmer in Meurthe-et-Moselle for 22 years. He has 160 hectares in field crops and he raise cattle and laying hens. He is very involved in the development of organic farming.

During 9 years he was President of Probiolor, a 100% organic cooperative in Lorraine. He is also a member of the Basin Committee and Administrator of the Rhine-Meuse Water Agency.

Julie BELANGER

Commission of Genetic Ressources for Food and Agriculture of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO), coordinator of "The state of the world's biodiversity for food and agriculture"



Julie Bélanger joined the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations in 2013 as Technical Officer, Biodiversity and Environment. For the past 5 years, she has coordinated the preparation of the report on [The state of the world's biodiversity for food and agriculture](#), launched in February 2019.

Previously, at Statistics Canada, she worked on the Canadian Census of Agriculture and on various research projects. She holds a Ph.D. in Plant Science from McGill University.

Save the date !



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Florent GUHL

Director of Agence BIO



Florent Guhl is Director of Agence BIO.

National platform for information and consultation for the development, promotion and structuring of French organic sector, Agence BIO has been conducting a study for 15 years on the perception of organic farming and its products by the French. It also manages an European and world observatory of the organic sector.

Ibrahima SECK

Coordinator at the National Federation for Organic Farming of Senegal



Coordinator at the National Federation for Organic Agriculture in Senegal, he is in charge of setting up a participatory guarantee system for the creation of the "Bio Senegal" label.

This local certification allows quality control, the marketing of organic products at a fair price and better visibility.

Lee HOLDSTOCK

Commercial Relations Manager - Soil Association (United Kingdom)



With over 20 years of experience in the development of organic food and textile, Lee Holdstock assists companies in sustainable development, communication, sourcing and product marketing.

The Soil Association is the 1st organic certification body in the United Kingdom.

Ewa SUFIN-JACQUEMART

Member of Dobrze Cooperative (Poland)



Ewa Sufin-Jacquemart is a member of the Dobrze cooperative in Warsaw, the first organic cooperative in Poland, and president of the Strefa Zieleni Foundation. The two organizations are part of the nine founding organizations of the Living Earth Coalition (Koalicja Żywa Ziemia), for agroecology and another CAP, founded in October 2018.

Catherine CLOSSONScientific collaborator at the Center for Economic
and Social Studies of the Environment, Free University of Brussels

She has been working for several years on the issue of access to sustainable and quality food for vulnerable people. She advises and assists public and associative structures on this issue aiming to combine ecological transition and social justice.

From 2015 to the end of 2018, she coordinated the Falcoop, a participatory action research project at the Free University of Brussels on the accessibility of a sustainable cooperative supermarket and the anchoring of it in a precarious neighborhood in Brussels.

Michel REYNAUD

Member of the board of IFOAM Europe



Michel Reynaud is a member of the Board of IFOAM Europe where he is the representative of the certifying bodies, as Vice-President of Ecocert.

Elena PANICHI

Deputy Head of the Organic Unit of DG agriculture of European Commission



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Sébastien BALMISSE

Cocoa programs and Quality Manager KAOKA



He is Director of "Filières" and Quality at Kaoka. He is very involved in the development of organic and fair sectors. He spends three to four months per year working on programs in Ecuador, Peru, Sao Tome and the Dominican Republic. Kaoka is a committed company. The long-term partnership between Kaoka and the Cocoa Farmers Cooperatives ensures a fair purchase price for producers and products of excellence accessible to all. The company is in the process of organic certification "sustainable company".

Vincenzo LINARELLO

Founder and President of GOEL Cooperative Group



He is the Founder and President of the GOEL cooperative group. GOEL is a non-profit community movement in southern Italy. The network of cooperatives creates jobs in a wide range of economic sectors, including health services, organic agriculture and cosmetics, responsible tourism and eco-fashion based on ethically-managed social companies.



**Organic sector:
Social and Environmental Issues**

Vincent MARTINET

Director of Research at INRA



Vincent Martinet is a searcher at INRA, in the Public Economy Unit (at Paris-Grignon). He is an environmental economist, specializing in the issue of sustainable development. His work on agriculture focuses on the trade-offs between different sustainability issues at the scale of agricultural landscapes, with a particular focus on the ecosystem services that these landscapes provide. He studies public policies that can influence farmers' choices, both individually and collectively, for a multi-performing and sustainable agriculture.

Pascal OLIVIER

Responsible Antenne Romande at BIO Suisse



Coming from an agricultural in Switzerland, Pascal Olivier is an agronomist. After 2 years of professional experience in sub-Saharan Africa, he worked for 18 years as an advisor in a Chamber of Agriculture and Viticulture. Since 2015, he is responsible for the French-speaking part of Bio Suisse in Lausanne.

"Bio Suisse" is the main organic organization in Switzerland and owns the brand Bourgeon. This private umbrella organization, created in 1981, represents the interests of its 7,100 farms and more than 1,000 agribusiness companies that have entered into a "License Bourgeon" agreement with it.

Franck SOLACROUPDirector of the Water Resources and Aquatic Resources Department
Adour-Garonne water agency

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Marie BEUCHET

Organic farmer and CEO of SA Naturalba (Costa Rica)



French Marie Beuchet, born in Paris, moved to Costa Rica in the Turrialba Valley nearly 20 years ago to manage her grandfather's farm.

Today, in addition to the family farm "Hacienda Monte Claro", she manages a micro "beneficio" of coffee, Grupo Naturalba, and a small organic producers'association known as APOYA. The 3 entities work together for the development of sustainable organic farming.

Conclusion

Closing address from Mr **Didier Guillaume**,
French Minister for Agriculture and Food

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M5, Quai de la Rapée
M5 et M10, Gare d'Austerlitz

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RER C, Gare d'Austerlitz

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Gares de Lyon et d'Austerlitz

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