



**Program for the Science Day at BioFach  
Friday, 15 February 2013  
Mailand Room, NCC Mitte  
Nuremberg Messe**

9:00 Coffee, informal discussions and networking

9:30 Organic and Agroecological Research for Action. A Town Hall Meeting

*Panelists will each give a five minute address stating their vision for organic agricultural research.*

*Audience members can then ask questions of the panelists and make one minute statements.*

- Andre Leu, President of the President, International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM), Australia
- Urs Niggli, Director Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL), Switzerland;
- Sang Mok Sohn, President, International Society for Organic Agriculture Research (ISOFAR)
- Miguel Altieri, Latin American Scientific Society of Agroecology (SOCLA), United States
- Introductions and Moderator: Brian Baker, FiBL, Switzerland

10:30 *Break*

11:00 Workshop sessions—Introduced by Brian Baker, FiBL

Participants will break into small groups to brainstorm ideas for the direction that the Technology and Innovation Platform (TIPI) should take. Each group will be given a set of questions and members will be asked to discuss and formulate recommendations.

Proposed groups (Facilitators and rapporteurs are invited but not all confirmed)

- Stakeholder engagement and participation
  - Facilitator: Gabi Soto, Centro Agronómico Tropical de Investigación y Enseñanza (CATIE), Costa Rica;
  - Rapporteur: Michael Sligh, Rural Advancement Fund International (RAFI), United States.
- Systems research: crossing disciplines
  - Facilitator: Peter von Fragstein, University of Kassel, Germany
  - Rapporteur: Uygun Aksoy, Ege University, Turkey
- Innovation and technology development
  - Facilitator: Susanne Padel, The Organic Research Centre, UK;
  - Rapporteur: Bram Moeskops, Technology Platform Organics, Belgium
- Research and Information Dissemination
  - Facilitator: Lizzie Melby Jespersen, International Centre for Research in Organic Food Systems (ICROFS), Denmark
  - Rapporteur: Anne-Kristin Løes, BioForsk, Norway.

12:30 *Lunch*

1:30—Rapporteurs present

2:30 – Wrap up and next steps—Brian Baker, FiBL

2:45 — *Break*

3:00 TIPI Charter Member Assembly – Agenda to be sent to registrants and included in registration packet.

5:00 Adjourn

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