

DIVERSIFOOD Workshop

Enabling Crop Biodiversity on the Market

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How to adapt official procedures and the legal environments to enhance crop-biodiversity? - For participants from Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands

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European Committee of the Regions
 Room VM1, Van Maerlant Building, Rue Van Maerlant 2, 1040, Brussels, Belgium

Programme	
Monday, 27 November 2017	
09:30 – 10:00	Registration in Front of Room VM1
09:30 – 10:00	Q&A on Seed Procedures and Legislation Bring in your questions on official procedures and seed legislation. The questions will be answered by experts at the spot or during the discussions at the workshop.
Opening Session	
10:00 – 10:10	Opening by the Sponsor Roby Biwer, Luxembourg, Member of the Committee of the Regions
10:10 – 10:20	Presentation of the Workshop's Scope and Introduction to DIVERSIFOOD Klaus Rapf (moderator), Arche Noah/Diversifood
10:20 – 10:40	Introductory Round <i>Participants introduce themselves (name, profession/organization, reason for participation)</i>
10:40 – 10:55	Seed Saving as an Invitation for Co-creating Biodiversity Greet Lambrecht and Mieke Lateir, Netwerk Zelf Zaden Telen
Session 1: Official Procedures, Legislation and Crop Biodiversity: Challenges and Best Practice Examples	
10:55 – 11:10	Country Analysis Belgium - Regions Flanders and Wallonia Małgorzata Verleyen Szulc - Government of Flanders
11:10 – 11:25	Country Analysis The Netherlands Raoul Haegens - Naktuinbouw DUS Vegetable Crops Team
11:25 – 11:40	Coffee Break - Tasting of Biodiversity Products
11:40 – 11:55	Country Analysis Luxembourg Representative of the Ministry of Agriculture

11:55 – 12:10	Country Analysis Austria Emil Platzer, Arche Noah/Diversifood
12:10 – 12:25	Country Analysis France Blanche Magarinos-Rey, Lawyer for environmental issues
12:25 – 12:50	Discussion of the Country Analyses
12:50 – 14:00	Lunch Break
13:30 – 14:00	In the final half hour of the lunch break, it's time for networking! Bring posters, flyers, etc. to present your initiative or research project!
Session 2: Enabling the Biodiversity Market – Making Genetic Resources Available and Attractive for Farmers and Consumers	
14:00 – 15:00	Group Work on Crop Biodiversity in Official Procedures and Legislations (Rooms VM5/45 and VM6/45) Goals/Needs – Barriers – Solutions
15:00 – 15:15	Participatory Plant Breeding in the Netherlands Edwin Nuijten, Louis Bolk Institute
15:15 – 15:30	The Network Meuse-Rhin-Moselle Marlene Moreau, Network for farmers and citizens' seeds Meuse-Rhin-Moselle
15:30 – 15:45	How to Strengthen the Cooperation Between Gene Banks and Farmers Obe Bootsma – Foundation De Oerakker
15:45 – 16:00	Time for Discussion
16:00 – 16:20	Coffee Break – Tasting of Biodiversity Products
16:20 – 17:20	Group work: How to Make Genetic Resources Available? - World Cafe
17:20 – 17:40	Final Plenary Discussion + Closing

Registration:

Please send the filled registration form to: emil.platzer@arche-noah.at until the 6th of November

Working language

Please note that our working language is English, translation will not be provided by the organisers.

Costs and services

No participation fee, lunch and coffee breaks are included for participants.

Options for accommodation:

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