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22-24 March 2021

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Invitation

Our food system is not sustainable. The current global crisis draws attention to this fact more than ever. The [Food System Change Online Congress](https://www.foodsystemchange.org/congress) will highlight solutions to this problem by presenting decentralized, bottom-up initiatives from all over Europe, which push for a sustainable transformation of the food system. Taking place via live online transmission from March 22nd to 24th, the event will enable people from all over Europe to come together and discuss the innovative approaches taken. The goal in sharing ideas and networking between the pioneers is to support and implement more projects of this kind in Europe and therefore promote the food system change.

The congress is free of charge and open to everyone. In each of the five different sessions niche innovations in the European food system are presented by the pioneers themselves followed by a 50 minutes Q&A session and discussion with one further scientific/networking expert in the field. Topics discussed here include amongst others



climate-friendly and sustainable farming methods, innovative financing systems or building sustainable communities through Bio-Districts. In four panel discussions we aim to discuss in depth the potential of open source solutions in the food and agricultural system, how to build regional networks, how to make an impact on politics and further synergies/networking potentials as an outlook. Last but not least in session 4 a closing declaration of the congress will be elaborated on and discussed in a group setting and signed at the end of the congress by all parties interested. Should you be unable to participate, you can head to [foodsystemchange.org](https://www.foodsystemchange.org) to watch recordings of all the sessions and panels after the event is over.

The Food System Change Online Congress is an initiative by NAHhaft e.V., Germany. NAHhaft is a non-profit organization that promotes sustainable food strategies through research, consulting, education and networking. With the help of partners from science, civil society, politics and administration, sustainable food systems are promoted.

Date & Time: March 22-24, 2021 from 9am to 5:30 pm

Language: English

Programme with speakers and panelists: see below

Facilitator: Ribana Bergmann

Registration: <https://www.ernaehrungswandel.org/vernetzen/food-system-change-congress/sign-up>

Website: <https://www.ernaehrungswandel.org/vernetzen/food-system-change-congress/about>

Contact: info@foodsystemchange.org

We are looking forward to welcoming you to the Food System Change Online Congress.

Please feel free to forward the invitation to interested parties within your network.

Best regards,
Helen Engelhardt and Lydia Deppe
NAHhaft e.V.



Time	22 March 2021	23 March 2021	24 March 2021
8:00 AM	Invitation via Email	Invitation via Email	Invitation via Email
9:00 AM - 10:30 AM	<p>Welcome session Introduction: Transformation of the food system and role of the congress</p> <p>Speakers: Dr. Benjamin Leon Bodirsky, Stephanie Wunder</p>	<p>Session 3 : Agroforestry and its variations across Europe</p> <p>Speakers: Ben Raskin, Marcin Wójcik, Dr María Rosa Mosquera-Losada</p>	<p>Session 6: Cities assuming the responsibility of food production</p> <p>Speakers: Filippos Polatsidis, Pascal Hardy, Dr. Bernd Pölling</p>
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM	<p>Session 1: Climate-friendly and sustainable farming methods</p> <p>Speakers: Dr. Johannes Eisenbach, Gilles Domenech, Marlène Vissac</p>	<p>Session 4: Development of the closing declaration</p>	<p>Panel discussion 3: Impact on politics</p> <p>Panelists: Ana Moraques Faus (PhD), Janneke Bruil, Inés Jordana</p>
12:30 PM - 2 PM	Lunch break	Lunch break	Lunch break
2:00 PM - 3:30 PM	<p>Session 2 : Open Source solutions: the challenge to share and protect farmer's knowledge</p> <p>Speakers: Andrea Ferrante, Severine von Tscharnher Fleming, Ramona Duminicioiu</p>	<p>Session 5: Building sustainable communities through Bio-Districts</p> <p>Speakers: Roberto Stucchi Prinetti, Samuel Bonvoisin, Salvatore Basile</p>	<p>Session 7: Innovative financing systems</p> <p>Speakers: Gonzalo Úrculo, Dr. Jenny Lay-Kumar, Prof. Dr. Anna Maria Häring</p>
3:30 PM - 4 PM	Coffee break	Coffee break	Coffee break
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM	<p>Panel discussion 1: Potential of open source solutions in the food and agricultural system</p> <p>Panelists: Dr. Johannes Kotschi, Chris Giotitsas, Lynne Davis, Rachel Arnould, Foteini Zampati</p>	<p>Panel discussion 2: Building regional networks</p> <p>Panelists: Tom O'Kane, Johanna Stumpner, REFRAME - Interreg VB North Sea Region Programme, Wannes De Jonghe</p>	<p>Panel discussion 4: Outlook: Synergies, networks and the way forward</p> <p>Panelists: Stanka Becheva, Dr. Fedele Colantuono, Prof. Mariantonietta Fiore, Forum Synergies</p>
5:30 PM	Closing	Closing	Closing