

SOCIAL JUSTICE

Thursday, June 19th and Saturday June 21st

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Location: Chamber of Commerce – Sala Panini

Language: English

Simultaneous translation available: Italian

Program

11.15 – 11.30: Introduction

11.25 – 12.15: International Cooperation & Fairtrade

- Meskelo - *Ethiopian Honey Project*
- Valdés – *Experiences of the International Cooperatives Sin Fronteras (CSF)*
- Prampolini - *Chico Mendes Cooperative, Modena*
- Henderson, Mandelbaum – *Bringing Fairtrade home to the U.S.*
- Michael Sligh – *Meeting our Organic Vision - Social, Economic and Environmental Justice*

12.15 – 13.00: Socio-Economic development

- Cittadini et al. - *Agroecological Production, Food Security and Social Inclusion*
- Mandelbaum - *Migration, Labor and Organic Agriculture*
- Escobar, Mera, Hurtado – *Process of socio-economical transformation in Trujillo, Colombia, from the adoption of O.A.*
- Sciurano, *Integrated project in O. A. and fair trade in Jenin – Palestine*
- Goessinger, K., Freyer, B, *Corporate Social Responsibility and Organic Farming – Experiences in Austria*

14.30 – 15.15: Ethical values establishing – maintaining – marketing

- Zander, Hamm - *Communication of Ethical Values in O. A.*
- Kabourakis, Vassiliou, Papadopoulos - *Ethical concerns and traceability in conventional and organic olive oil chains*
- Padel - *Ethical concerns associated with organic food in Europe*

15.20 – 16.05: Certification

- Leu - *Fairtrade in organic products, the need for equivalence*
- Fuerst, Mesh - *Implementing social standards in organic certification*
- ICEA - *certification*

16.30 – 17.40: Social Farming

- AIAB - *AIAB for social Agriculture*
- VanElsen, Di Iacovo, Hassinik - *Social Farming as a perspective for organic farms in Europe*

- Di Iacovo - *Social Farming and organic farming: a different perspective for multifunctional agriculture in Italy*

17.40 – 18.00: Conclusion Remarks in preparation of the Social Justice Saturday afternoon session

Poster

- Esquivel, Revelo, Nocholls, Escobar - *Methodological proposal for use indicators in the evaluation production systems of reserves of society civil in the Cocha*

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Pages and books can be filled about the underlying principles of organic agriculture, how they have guided its evolution and development into a myriad of organic agriculture production systems which reflect the ethical, ecological and economical values and concerns towards a sustainable development. To further strengthen the conceptual and practical work of the international organic movement IFOAM'S active membership has developed the four principles of organic agriculture which are guiding our work since 2005, namely the principles of health, ecology, care and fairness. Social Justice plays an important role in organic agriculture. In the program of the IFOAM Organic World Congress a whole day is dedicated to present examples of social justice related topics in organic agriculture and how organic agriculture deals with international cooperation, fairtrade, socio economic impacts, ethical trade, standards and other topics. It is the wish of the Program Steering Committee and many contributors to this module to provide for an open space and time to discuss theories and strategies in the context of social justice and social farming.

The preparation of this Open Forum will be done based on the outcomes and recommendations of the Social Justice Module during which propositions, ideas and recommendations for strategies and networking possibilities to strengthen the organic movement's actions can be put forward by any author or participant. Anybody is invited to participate in this process with separate written contributions and by participating in the Saturday session. The aim of this Open Forum Session is to critically analyse the different theories and strategies, to find ways of networking and strengthening the organic movement rather than to establish a wish list geared towards the GA of IFOAM which is taking place right after the OWC. We are proposing to make use of the OWC as a platform of exchange of ideas and experiences leading to new insights and strategies as the active members worldwide are the source of inspiration and diversity leading the way to the worldwide adaption of organic agriculture.