

## Conference Location

The conference will be held in **Hamburg**, one of the most exciting cities of northern Europe (1.7 million inhabitants), close to the city centre and to the marvellous atmosphere of the harbour and the Elbe river. September is the best month to visit the city, accommodation in every price category is available.



## Conference Fees

Developed country participants: **150 Euros**

Developing country participants/ students: **50 Euros**

Conference dinner: **30 Euros**

Organic Local Tours: **about 50 Euros incl. food**

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## 2<sup>ND</sup> IFOAM INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ORGANIC ANIMAL HUSBANDRY:

### ‘Tackling the Future Challenges of Organic Animal Husbandry’



**SEPTEMBER 12-14, 2012  
HAMBURG, GERMANY**

Organizers:



## Background

Building on the first IFOAM conference in the US in 2006, farmers and scientists will once again have the opportunity to exchange information and build new partnerships at the 2nd IFOAM International Organic Animal Husbandry. Although organic livestock production has made significant advances over the last few decades, navigating complex regulatory frameworks and dealing with other challenges facing the sector, organic livestock systems will benefit from an exchange at the international level.

This conference will concentrate on health and food safety in organic livestock production systems, marketing trends, innovation in organic livestock production systems and livestock breeding strategies. Key figures from around the world will present the diversity of organic livestock systems, including opportunities and challenges on the horizon. Topics will relate to a wide range of livestock species: cattle, poultry, pigs, small ruminants, fish, bees, rabbits, horses and others.



## Thematic Foci

- Production innovation
- Product safety and security
- Social and economic issues
- Climate change
- Environmental protection
- Limited fossil resources

## Call for Papers - Topics

All submissions must be in English and adhere to the submission guidelines specified on the conference webpage. Authors are requested to submit an A4 paper of one to four pages for selection. Submissions will be reviewed by experts as to the quality of content, authenticity and interest of the topic for a wider audience.

## Our Program

### Wednesday, September 12

Local pre-conference tours

### Thursday, September 13: *'Recent Knowledge'*

09.00 - 12.00: **Registration**

13.00 - 15.00: **Opening ceremony**

- Welcome speeches
- Plenary session with keynote speakers

15.30 - 17.00: **Workshops**

- Cattle, poultry, pigs, small ruminants, other livestock species (fish, bees, rabbits, horses)

19.00 - 22.00: **Conference dinner**

### Friday, September 14: *'Future Challenges'*

09.00 - 10.30: **Keynote speakers**

11.00 - 12.30: **Workshops**

- Climate change, food safety and security, society and economy, limited fossil resources, environment protection

14.00 - 16.00: **Plenary discussion**

- Future challenges of organic animal husbandry
- Agenda for the future

16.00: **Closing ceremony**

Submissions need not be limited to the thematic foci above and can address one or multiple categories or species of animals. All contributions relevant to the development of the organic sector and innovations based on the Principles of Organic Agriculture will be considered, provided that the contribution fulfills the quality requirements. Everyone engaged in the research and the practice of organic agriculture is welcome to contribute to the conference program. Find out more on [www.ifoam.org/animalhusbandry2012](http://www.ifoam.org/animalhusbandry2012).

## Dates & Deadlines

- **September 2011: 1st call for papers**
- **November 2011: 2nd call for papers**
- **January 31, 2012: Submission of abstracts**
- **March 31, 2012: Notification of Accepted papers**
- **April 30, 2012: End of early bird registration**
- **June 30, 2012: Submission of full papers**