## 2020 EDITION OF THE ORGANIC INNOVATION DAYS ORGANIZED BY THE EUROPEAN TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM

The European Technology Platform TP Organics is spreading information about the <u>2020 edition of the Organic Innovation Days</u>, organized in cooperation with the EU H2020 Liveseed project.

The 2020 edition of this event on research & innovation for organic, organized annually in Brussels, will take place from 24-25 November via the online event platform <u>SpotMe</u>.

The preliminary <u>programme of the event</u> highlights the following activities.

On Day 1, the Liveseed final conference for

stakeholders and policymakers will take place. Liveseed is an EU Horizon 2020-funded project covering 18 European countries, that runs from 2017 to 2021. The Consortium has 49 partners, including multiple actors from: research institutes, breeding companies, seed companies, organic associations (farmers, processors, retailers) and national authorities. The objective of the Consortium is to improve the organic seed and breeding sector, encouraging greater use of organic seeds: cultivars adapted to organic systems are key for the realization of the full potential of organic agriculture. The project invites other actors engaged in the organic seed and breeding sector to become a member of the platform.

Day 2 will be divided into two parallel sessions:

- Session I will be dedicated to opportunities for organic agriculture in the new <u>Horizon Europe</u> framework program on research and innovation for the next budget period 2021-2027. After a key-note speech by Emile Frison of IPES-Food and the *Soil Health and Food Mission Board*, there will be an introduction to Horizon Europe by the European Commission. The policy debate with representatives from DG AGRI and DG Research & Innovation will focus on the new instruments in Horizon Europe. In the afternoon, the Stakeholder Forum for TP Organics members will take place.
- Session II will be the *Liveseed European Workshop*, which will look at the implementation of the organic seed regulation as well as national progress made in the context of the project.

The Organic Innovation Days will provide an opportunity to meet members of TP Organics and to network with European Union stakeholders and decision-makers. The updated <u>programme</u> will be available in the <u>event webpage</u>.

Information on the <u>1st</u>, <u>2nd</u>, <u>3rd</u> and <u>4th</u> editions of the Organic Innovation Days is available in the TP Organics website.









TP Organics is an European Technology Platform (ETP) for organic food & farming, uniting large companies, small & medium enterprises, researchers, farmers, consumers and civil society organizations active in the organic value chain.

## To know more

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Horizon Europe 2021 - 2027

Liveseed project website

Liveseed in Facebook

Success stories on organic seed production & breeding published by Liveseed - July 2020

