

Conference Proceedings

The ISOFAR conference proceedings (2 volumes) will include papers from both oral and poster presentations also including scientific papers from the Organic Fruit Congress. First authors will receive a copy (maximum 2 per paper) free of charge at the conference. Electronic Proceedings (PDF) will be available for all ISOFAR members free of charge.

Additionally all papers will be made available at the Organic Eprints archive shortly before the conference.

Conference Language

The conference language is English.

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International Society of Organic Agriculture Research

2nd ISOFAR Scientific Conference

in the frame of the 16th IFOAM Organic
World Congress “Cultivate the Future”

Modena, Italy

18-20 June 2008

Call for Papers

**Cultivating the Future
based on Science**

www.isofar.org/modena2008

Coordinated by
International Society of Organic Agriculture
Research (ISOFAR) in cooperation with
International Federation of Organic Agriculture
Movements (IFOAM) and
the Consorzio Modena Bio 2008.

About

The 16th Organic World Congress will bring together researchers, producers and other experts from all over the world all united by the idea of Organic Agriculture. The Congress includes a Scientific Research Track organised by ISOFAR with high scientific standards including a peer-review system.

There will be oral presentations in parallel sessions. Guided poster tours carried out by Senior Scientists will ensure appreciation of the poster exhibitors. Special modules on topics of practical relevance will boost the direct exchange between farmer's, advisors and researchers.

Workshops are a substantial part of the conference. Therefore ISOFAR supports any conclusive initiative by offering infrastructural support and by publishing the results on its website.

Participants interested in organising a workshop are welcome to contact ISOFAR's Head Office for details.

The scientific track covers nine principal topics each one consisting of several subthemes. Please consider the particular relevance of cross disciplinary themes expected to improve our understanding of complex interactions in agricultural and food systems. Cross disciplinary papers have to fulfil specific requirements and will be given high priority for oral presentation (details on our website).

Conference Topics

1. Cross disciplinary themes
2. Plant and Soil
3. Livestock
4. Quality of organic products
5. Socioeconomics
6. Natural resources
7. Developing countries
8. Mediterranean area
9. Other subjects

Acceptance of papers will be based on their relevance to Organic Agriculture, contribution to the overall aims of ISOFAR and scientific quality.

In the frame of the 2nd ISOFAR Scientific Conference, the integrated European project Quality Low Input Food ([www.qlif.org](http://www qlif.org)) will conduct their 4th congress. A series of workshops will be offered, based on invited contributions followed by comprehensive, moderated discussions. Further scientific contributions from the QLIF project and from the AgriBioMediterraneo 2008 International Conference will be included in the Scientific Research Track of ISOFAR.



Submission Procedure and Time Schedule

The submission procedure is a one-step process. Papers have to be written using a **mandatory template** and be **uploaded** into the data base **Organic Eprints** (instructions: www.isofar.org/modena2008/guidelines.html).

In addition, please state your preferred form of presentation (oral or poster). The final decision in these matters is reserved for the Scientific Committee.

Deadline for submission: October 15, 2007
Please check our website for updates

Review process

Papers will be evaluated following a peer review system. Authors will be informed by **January 31, 2008** whether the paper is accepted. Accepted papers must be revised by **February 29, 2008**.

Potential contributors can also submit papers to the Systems Values Track of the IFOAM World Conference (www.ifoam.org/modena2008).

All papers will be submitted to the joint platform in Organic Eprints.