**FNAB invited farmers to participate in the making of a film**

**“*The voice of organic farmers in Europe*”**

25 minutes

***This film*** *was made at* Biofach, Nuremberg, in February 2012. A delegation of the French national federation of Organic farmers (FNAB), invited farmers to participate in filming "*The voice of organic farmers in Europe*". Who are they? How do they organise? What do they think of the development of organic farming in each country, at this crucial moment of the Common Agricultural Policy?

The FNAB comprises all the regional federations based upon local groups of Organic farmers to which belong most of the 20,000 certified organic farmers of France.

Interviews were conducted over three days in English, French, German, Italian, Polish & Ukrainian. The film has been subtitled in French, English & Spanish and is freely available via the internet :

EN : "Voices of european organic farmers" : **https://vimeo.com/59077173** ; password : **enofo**

**Questions & topics : - Problems in the development of organic agriculture in each country - Problems in developing organic agriculture in Europe, from viewpoint of farmers organisations - Common Agricultural Policy and how to reform it in 2014 - Markets for organic produce in Europe: competition or cooperation between farmers? - The future of short supply chains for farmers in Europe - Inequalities between countries and between farmers in Europe & beyond. The survival of farmers in Eastern & Southern parts of Europe. Discussions on budget allocation, the diversity among farmers and in the support given to small producers.**

**Farmers interviewed :**

***Britain, Patrick HOLDEN (longest est. Welsh organic dairy farm, Cheddar cheese), former director Soil Ass'n. Poland, Danuta PILARSKA (mixed farming), president Ekoland association. Croatia, Irena NIKIČIĆ (fruit & vegetables, juice & wine, eco-school & ecotourism). Australia, André LEU (fruit & veg), former pres Organic Federation of Australia, president IFOAM 2011~14. Netherlands, Kees van ZELDEREN (dairy farmer), Chairman NL organic farmers. Italy, Andrea FERRANTE (vegetables), former president AIAB : Associazione Italiana per l'Agricoltura Biologica. Turkey, Erkan ALEMDAR (olives, ecotourism), Bugday Association for Ecological Living. Ukraine, Pàl TÜZEZ (mixed farming, cereals, fruit & vegetables, meat processing), Organic Federation Ukraine. Ukraine, Eugene MILOVANOV, president Organic Federation of Ukraine. Slovenia, Boris FRAS (mixed farming, olive oil, wine, fruit & veg), pres USOFA: Union Slov. Org. Farmers Ass'ns. Austria, Werner MICHLITS (mixed farm, cereals, livestock, fruit & veg, wine), board Demeter Austria & BioAustria Germany, Felix zu LÖWENSTEIN (mixed farming, medicinal plants), president Naturland association. Germany, Thomas DOSCH (manager of a Bioland-certified farm), former Director Bioland association. France, Dominic MARION (polyculture élevage), prés FNAB, Fédération nationale de l'Agriculture Biologique. Switzerland, Daniele RASELLI (highland sheep breeder), BioSuisse.***

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