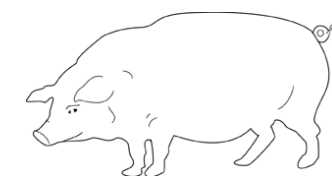
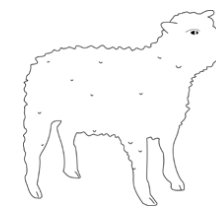
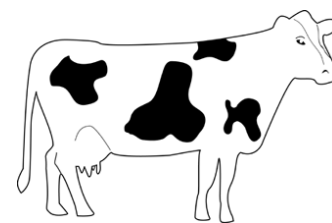
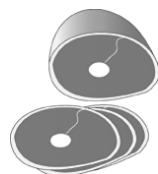
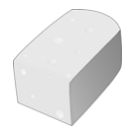


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About SAFO

Objective of SAFO

The objective is to improve food safety and animal health in organic livestock production systems through active communication of research results and conclusions. Furthermore, the project supports the development of subtle EU standards on organic livestock production.

Challenges

Organic animal food production & food safety

- Intensified organic farming systems in large parts of Europe
- Diversity in organic production under widely diverse living conditions
- Striving towards naturalness
- Outdoor life
- On farm processing of food (milk, meat)

Networking

The project started in March 2003 and will last for 3 years. It involves partners from 26 European countries.

During the project, five European workshops and a number of thematic meetings will be held. Programmes and proceedings, etc. will be announced through our News Service.

The next workshop will be held the 25-27th of March 2004 at Witzenhausen, Germany.

The title of this workshop is:

Development of organic livestock farming: potential and limitations of husbandry practice to secure animal health, welfare and food quality.

The steering committee of SAFO is currently inviting abstracts and suggestions for speakers.

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