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On January 28th, over 300 participants gathered at the interdisciplinary biodiversity symposium hosted by the Green Solutions Centre - Københavns Universitet in collaboration with IPBES Denmark. The event brought together researchers, policymakers, and practitioners to discuss the urgent need for biodiversity action in Denmark's landscapes.

Aarhus University, represented by senior researcher Yoko L. Dupont, contributed to the discussion by highlighting our work on enhancing biodiversity in farmland. In collaboration with industry partners from our ongoing Organic RDD projects "Organic+" and "EcoMetric", she presented practical approaches to integrating biodiversity into agricultural systems.

Large, continuous natural areas are essential for biodiversity conservation, but we cannot ignore the potential of farmland to support biodiversity. With agriculture covering 60% of our country, how we manage this land matters, and biodiversity-friendly farming can make a difference. Agricultural land can and must play a role in biodiversity conservation - was one of the key messages of the session.

The agricultural biodiversity session addressed key challenges and opportunities, including:

- Integrating different scientific disciplines, such as biology, agronomy and social science
- Co-development with stakeholders along the value chain
- Solutions that work for both food production and biodiversity
- How biodiversity in farmland contributes to national and global biodiversity goals

A big thank you to our partners Innovation Centre for Organic Farming and Gram Slot who joined us in presenting solutions and sharing knowledge at this important event.

& Learn more about Organic+ and EcoMetric projects via links in the comments

Both projects are led by Yoko Luise Dupont, funded under the Ministry for Food, Agriculture and Fisheries, the GUDP - Grønt Udviklings- & Demonstrationsprogram Organic RDD programme, and coordinated by ICROFS - International Centre for Research in Organic Food Systems &

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