

# International Scientific Conference on Organic Agriculture

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## CALL FOR PAPERS

### *Researching Sustainable Systems*

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Coordinated by the **International Society of Organic Agriculture Research (ISOFAR)** in co-operation with the **International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM)** and the **National Association for Sustainable Agriculture Australia (NASAA)**.



## About

The 15th IFOAM Organic World Congress consists of three main modules / conferences

- IFOAM World Conference 'Shaping Sustainable Systems', addressing broader themes of the organic movement.
- **International Scientific Conference on Organic Agriculture 'Researching Sustainable Systems'**
- 8th International IFOAM Conference on Organic Viticulture.

The International Scientific Conference on Organic Agriculture 'Researching Sustainable Systems' is a joint conference of ISOFAR and IFOAM, organized by NASAA.

Historically most Organic Agricultural research results have been published in so-called 'grey literature' that is read mainly by those already involved in organic research. In order to increase awareness of organic research, ISOFAR hopes to see more contributions published in well-recognised international journals. For this conference, contributions that are likely to be published on this level are sought. Acceptance of papers will be based on their relevance to Organic Agriculture, contribution to the overall aims of ISOFAR, and scientific quality. ISOFAR welcomes papers on all aspects of Organic Agriculture.

## Submission Procedure and Dates

The submission procedure is a two-step process.

### Step 1

A 2-page (single-spaced) abstract consisting of materials and methods, results, discussion, conclusions, references (no graphs and tables) should be submitted by **December 15, 2004**.

Abstracts will be reviewed by ISOFAR's referees. Send abstracts to

**[conference2005@isofar.org](mailto:conference2005@isofar.org)**.

Authors will be informed by **January 15, 2005** if they will be invited to submit a short paper (see STEP 2).

### Step 2

A short paper of 4 pages (single-spaced) should be submitted by **February 15, 2005**. The short papers will be refereed by ISOFAR, and the authors will be informed by **March 31, 2005** whether their paper is accepted as an oral or poster presentation or if it is rejected.

Accepted short papers must be revised by **31 May 2005**.

## Submission Format

A template for the formats of both the abstracts and the short papers is available from the conference homepage at

[www.isofar.org/adelaide2005](http://www.isofar.org/adelaide2005).

## Oral or Poster presentation?

Both oral and poster presentations are possible. Please indicate your preferences when submitting your 2-page abstract. Please note that the number of oral presentations is limited.

## Interchange Between the Conferences

Papers which are better suited to be presented at the IFOAM World Conference 'Shaping Sustainable Systems' will be passed on automatically (and vice versa).

## Conference Proceedings

The conference proceedings will include both oral papers (maximum 4 pages) and poster presentations (1 page abstract only). These proceedings will be available at the conference.

## Special Edition of Selected Papers in a Reviewed Journal

The ISOFAR board is planning to publish selected full papers in a **Special Edition** of an independently refereed scientific journal. Negotiations with different journals are underway. Such a Special Edition with 20 to 30 papers will promote the idea of ISOFAR and will be available only after the conference.

Authors may also wish to submit their full paper to a specialised journal of their own choice. In such cases the pre-review of the short paper by the referees of ISOFAR might be helpful by improving the scientific quality.

## Registration

There will be a reduced fee for ISOFAR members for attending the International Scientific Conference on Organic Agriculture 'Researching Sustainable Systems'. The registration procedure is organised by NASAA. The conference fee gives access to all three conferences of the 15th IFOAM Organic World Congress.

Registration will be possible from November 2004 via the website of the 15th IFOAM Organic World Congress at

[www.nasaa.com.au/ifoam/](http://www.nasaa.com.au/ifoam/).

Should you wish to submit a paper to the IFOAM World Conference 'Shaping Sustainable Systems' or to the 'IFOAM Conference on Organic Viticulture', please refer to their homepage at

[www.nasaa.com.au/ifoam/](http://www.nasaa.com.au/ifoam/)

## Conference Language

The conference language is English.

## Overall Scientific Committee

- **Urs Niggli**, Research Institute of Organic Agriculture, FiBL, Switzerland
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- **Erik Steen Kristensen**, Danish Research Centre for Organic Farming, DARCOF, Denmark
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