

Invitation

Creating exchange of knowledge in organic fruit farming at European level

The project BIOFRUITNET aims at creating a network of European networks to exchange knowledge and innovations on organic fruit growing. In order to create connections among our institutions, groups and networks, the project partners invite you to join its yearly meeting:

When: 30.03.2022 from 11.00 to 31.03.2022 to 16.00

Where: OREA Hotel Pyramida, Bělohorská 24, 169 00 Prag, Czech Republic

The travel, accommodation and catering costs will be covered by the project via Naturland's budget. If needed, more than one night can be covered. Please contact s.egerer@naturland.de to clear travel and accommodation details.

Programme: BIOFRUITNET's consortium will be happy to learn more about your network, and to present you the dissemination materials they plan to create and the activities they plan until April 2023. BIOFRUITNET's expert will propose strategic support to plan the further development of your network in the mid-and long-term. A common visit to the Research and Breeding Institute of Pomology in Holovousy is planned on the 31th of march.

Day 1: 30.03.2022

Start: 11:00

11:00 - 11:30	Welcome coffee
11:30 – 12:30	Presentation of the attendees
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 18:30	Strengthening networks through Europe: the support proposition of BIOFRUITNET
18:30	Dinner in the old town

Day 2: 31.03.2022

Start: 7:00

7:00 – 09:00	Travel to Holovousy
09:00 – 14:00	Visit of VSUO facilities (including lunch)
14:00 – 16:00	Travel back to Prague
16:00	Departure of the participants

How to get there

From Prague airport: Bus No. 191 from station "Terminál 2" to the station "Vypich" (18th station from the airport, directions to "Na Knížecí"). Transfer at the station "Vypich" to tram No. 22, then by this tram to the station "Malovanka" (6th station from "Vypich", direction to "Nádraží Hostivař")

From Main train station: By metro (red line) from station "Hlavní nádraží" (Main train station) to the metro station "Vltavská" (second station). Transfer at the metro station "Vltavská" to tram No. 25, than by this tram to the station "Malovanka" (10th station from the station "Vltavská", direction to "Bílá hora"). The tram station "Malovanka" is 150 m from OREA Pyramida hotel.

Boosting innovation in organic fruit production through strong knowledge networks

The BIOFRUITNET Project

BIOFRUITNET is a 3-year project that bridges the gap between science and practice and makes locally found solutions available to other fruit growers in Europe



OBJECTIVES:

- Fostering the adoption of best practices and research results
- Reinforcing existing European networks and channels
- Long-term knowledge conservation

The BIOFRUITNET Consortium

The consortium includes 16 partners from 11 EU countries and can rely on a dense grid of existing networks and projects at regional and national level.



The BIOFRUITNET Concept

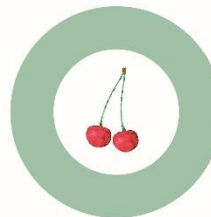
BIOFRUITNET focusses on three major fruit groups: pome, stone and citrus fruits. We have selected these three fruit groups, because they are the most representative fruit crops grown in EU



POME FRUITS: are represented mainly by apples and pears. Apples are the most important organic fruit grown in Europe (45,880 ha) and the leading organic fruit globally



CITRUS FRUITS: play an important role in the organic market, being one of the most demanded products on the market for organic production.



STONE FRUITS: include plums, cherries, peaches and nectarines. In Europe, cherries are the most important stone fruit with more than 10,000 ha under organic management, followed by plums with almost 6,000 ha.

OUTCOMES:

- Synergies with ongoing networks of organic fruit production
- Knowledge and knowledge gaps collection
- Ready-for-practice knowledge selection and assessment
- Ready-to-use material: practice abstracts, videos, podcasts and e-Learning courses disseminated through EIP-AGRI and Organic Knowledge platform

