Early bird deadline 20th December

With the recent launches of Defra’s CAP consultation and Sustainable Intensification Research Platform, as well as the government’s Agri-Tech Strategy, is there any place left for organic farming and similar agro-ecological approaches to sustainable food production?

Are the concept of sustainable intensification and the new strategies broad enough to not only focus on techno-fixes or can we find better ecological and knowledge-based solutions to meeting sustainability challenges? [Programme and booking form now available]

News

ORC Bulletin 113 is now out!
Bulletin 112 also now online [More...]

Biogreenhouse survey on energy use:
We need your data! Survey to gather data on energy use in European organic protected horticulture. [More...]

Manifold green manures - part two:
Alsike and crimson clovers are profiled in this article drawing on results from the LegLINK project [More...]

European Parliament backs agroforestry:
One million euros for agroforestry [More...]

ORC welcomes Henry Creissen to Wakelyns team
See staff profile for Henry [here]

Agroforestry design workshop in Denmark
See photos from Jo Smith’s workshop [here]

A day at Wakelyns in October
See photos [here]
IOTA conference 2013
Photos from IOTA conference held on Monday 30th September at Loddington, Leicestershire. Hosted by the Game and Wildlife Conservation Trust here

Allan Savory visit
See photos of Allan Savory’s visit to ORC and Rob Richmond’s farm here

EUCARPIA conference tour of KWS HQ
As part of the EUCARPIA conference in Goettingen Germany Robbie and Henry were taken on a field trip to the HQ of KWS in Einbeck. Photos here

Upcoming events
17 October 2013: Trees: a valuable crop
Management and planting for livestock and arable production

28 October 2013: Grain legumes for organic agriculture
Breeding better varieties

6 November 2013: Making Europe more organic
Celebrate 10 years of IFOAM EU in Brussels

13 November 2013: National Soil Symposium 2013
Two-day Soil Association event

6 December 2013: True cost accounting in food & farming
Sustainable Food Trust conference

16 December 2013: Training for Trainers workshop
Two day IOTA workshop

18 December 2013: Rethinking Agricultural Systems in the UK
Two day conference in Oxford

22-23 January 2014: ORC 2014 Organic Producers’ Conference
Intensive Sustainability or Sustainable Intensification - which way forward for organic farming?

13 October 2014: IFOAM World Congress 2014
Building Organic Bridges

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