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New job vacancy at ORC – closing date 9am, Tuesday 27th August 2013

A reminder that we are looking for a senior/ principal livestock researcher to lead our SOLID dairy research project input and help develop our livestock research programme. Please pass this on to anyone you feel might be interested. [More...](#)

Help us plan the 2014 Organic Producer Conference! (22-23 January 2014, Aston University, Birmingham)

You can find the draft outline programme [here](#) – very much work in progress!

Your suggestions on priority or additional topics and potential speakers would be welcome.

Please reply to this message **by Monday 2nd September**, if possible answering the following questions:

- a) Do you like the 'Intensive sustainability' (as an alternative to 'Sustainable Intensification') idea for the conference, with opening plenary focusing on the challenges and round table discussions after lunch debating solutions?
- b) If not, what would you prefer instead?
- c) In the workshops, which themes (arable, horticulture, animal, grassland or other) are of most interest to you?
- d) In the themes you are interested in, are the priority workshop topics identified the best ones?
- e) Would any of the alternative workshops suggested in the highlighted row at the end of the table be of more interest?
- f) Do you have suggestions for other workshop topics we should be thinking about?
- g) Do you have suggestions for possible speakers in any of the sessions (or would you like to offer a presentation yourself)?
We're keen to get a mix of producers, advisers, researchers and others involved in each of the sessions.
- h) Would you or your organisation be willing to get involved with organising a session?

News

Plant breeding for diversity:

New COBRA project leaflet [More...](#)

Scandinavian group tours the UK:

Growers and advisers visit organic vegetable farms in the South of England. [More...](#)

Organic research and innovation platform

TP Organics, officially recognized by European Commission [More...](#)

Wakelyns Agroforestry open day.

Reports, photos and presentations from the day. [More...](#)

DairyCo project

Improving forage analysis. [More...](#)

Upcoming events

30 September 2013: [IOTA 2013 annual conference](#)

Enhancing the environmental delivery of organic farming

9 October 2013: [Soil Association conference: Good food for all](#)

Day one: Partnership for change in schools, cities and communities

10 October 2013: [Soil Association conference: Giving it welly](#)

Day two: Grassroots innovation for sustainable agriculture

6 November 2013: [Making Europe more organic](#)

Celebrate 10 years of IFOAM EU in Brussels

18 December 2013: [Rethinking Agricultural Systems in the UK](#)

Two day conference in Oxford

22 January 2014: [ORC 2014 Organic Producers' Conference](#)

Save the date!

13 October 2014: [IFOAM World Congress 2014](#)

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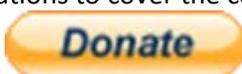
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