



BEST4SOIL ONLINE CONFERENCE

16.02.2022

PROGRAM

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PART 1

09:00 — 10:30

- 09:00 — 09:15 Welcome and introduction
Benjamin Waltner, Martin Schlatzer (both research associates at FiBL) — Austria
- 09:15 — 09:45 Results of Best4Soil
Harm Brinks (Advisor at Delphi and Best4Soil project coordinator) — Netherlands
- 09:45 — 09:55 Cultivating green manures for better soil life in vegetable production
Léandre Guillod (Vegetable farmer) — Switzerland
- 09:55 — 10:20 Practical and political tools to improve soil health in Lithuania
Antanas Ronis (Scientist at Lithuanian Research Centre for Agriculture) — Lithuania
- 10:20 — 10:30 The Best4Soil decision support tool for the control of nematodes and pathogens
Erwin Bakker (Advisor at Delphi) — Netherlands

BREAK

10:30 — 10:45 (time for informal exchange and networking)

PART 2

10:45 — 12:25

- 10:45 — 11:15 From farm to fork: Soil as the basis of healthy nutrition
Sarah Wiener (Cook, farmer and member of the EU Parliament) — Austria
- 11:15 — 11:30 European lighthouse farm: Caring for soil is caring for life
Alfred Grand (Founder of GRAND FARM for research and demonstration) — Austria
- 11:30 — 11:45 Summary of feedback - What do (did) people think of Best4Soil?
Vincent Michel (Plant pathologist at Agroscope) — Switzerland
- 11:45 — 11:55 Management of green manures to increase organic matter and soil health
Massimiliano Minotti, Linda Vivan (both advisors) — Italy
- 11:55 — 12:25 Taking care of your soil means taking care of your plants
Judit Berényi Úveges (Soil scientist at ÖMKi) — Hungary

LUNCH

12:30 — 13:30 (no online program in the meantime)



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PART 3 13:30 — 15:05

- 13:30 — 14:00 Soil and compost microorganisms - alive on screen
Vitalia Víg (Soil biologist at Terravitka) — Hungary
- 14:00 — 14:30 Feedback and expectations from farmers and advisors
Bruno Häller & Eléonore Tran (both researchers at BFH HAFL) — Switzerland
- 14:30 — 14:40 Anaerobic soil disinfection in Dutch fruit tree production
Janick Smedts (Boomkwekerijen Henry Fleuren B.V.) — Netherlands
- 14:40 — 15:05 Connecting key stakeholders with soil health through Best4Soil in Spain
Jose Ignacio Marín Guirao (Scientist at IFAPA) — Spain

BREAK 15:05 — 15:20 (time for informal exchange and networking)

PART 4 15:20 — 17:00

- 15:20 — 15:45 The best green manure choice for your fields
Michaela Schlathölder (Head of seed production at P.H. Peterson) — Germany
- 15:45 — 16:15 The legacy of Best4Soil
Harm Brinks (Advisor at Delphi and Best4Soil project coordinator) — Netherlands
- 16:15 — 16:25 Experiences with composting in the organic market garden
Matthew Hayes (Vegetable farmer) — Hungary
- 16:25 — 16:55 Hidden forces: Soil biodiversity for agricultural production and environmental integrity
Franz Bender (Scientist at Agroscope) — Switzerland
- 16:55 — 17:00 Festive conclusion
Benjamin Waltner, Martin Schlatzer (both research associates at FiBL) — Austria

ABOUT

As we all know, healthy soils are the basis of any sustainable farming system. They are the basis of healthy plants and thereby for healthy people. That's the reason why healthy soils are also at the center of the Best4Soil network, which we established three years ago. Since then, we have created videos, factsheets and tools all around the issues of soil health, soil borne diseases, nematodes and crop rotation. **All that information is already available in 22 languages — for free!**

And now, close to the end of the project period, we are going to sum up all our results in one big online conference at the 16th of February 2022. And **you can take part free of charge**, all expenses are covered by the project! You will profit from valuable talks about soil health and hands-on experiences from soil experts of different EU countries.

Reserve your free ticket now, spread the news and also invite your friends and colleagues! For registration just click on the following link and go to the website of our meeting platform: <https://hopin.com/events/best4soilconference>

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