

IFOAM OWC17 SEEDS PRE-CONFERENCE

Seed and Plant Breeding in Organic Agriculture
November 8, 2017 - Constitution Club of India

DEPUTY SPEAKER HALL

Rafi Marg, New Delhi, 110016
Behind Reserve Bank of India, Sansad Marg

International actors involved in organic plant breeding (farmers, farmer-breeders, seed savers, NGO's and breeders) will share ideas, opinions and strategies to ensure regionally adapted seeds for organic agriculture.

[To register please click here](#)

Be sure to register to reserve your seat and complimentary lunch at the Seeds Pre-conference.

Transportation back to Greater Noida can be arranged for participants registering at the OFIA reception taking place after the Pre-conference.

If coming from Greater Noida in the morning, please allow 2-3 hours for travel time due to intense traffic.

For more info: info@seeds.ifoam.bio

PRE-CONFERENCE PROGRAM

9:30-10:00 REGISTRATION

10:00-12:00 - COMMON VISION

The IFOAM Seeds Platform will pilot the group to discuss the future of organic farming systems by true organic breeding.

12:00-13:00 - NEW BREEDING TECHNIQUES AND GMOS

Update on the results of the IFOAM working groups on New Breeding Techniques, Cell Fusion and GMO Definition. New IFOAM motions will be assessed to highlight potential for improvement and their impact for the seed sector

SPECIAL FOCUS:

MOTION M51 Compatibility of New Breeding Techniques

MOTION M61: Organic Textiles

LUNCH

14:00-15:00 - CASE STUDY: COTTON

A panel will present the challenges in the organic cotton sector, the threat of GE contamination and the way forward of organic breeding initiatives

15:00-16:00 - OPEN SESSION

Participants are encouraged to present their breeding activities for other crops, vegetables and agroforestry.

16:00-17:00 - IPR AND ALTERNATIVE MODELS

TWN and BBSM will lead a panel presenting alternative approaches to IPR, their strengths and weaknesses.

17:00-18:00 CONCLUDING REMARKS