

As in past, ICCOA led a delegation to Biofach Germany in Nuremberg in February 2019. Being a partner with Nurnberg Mess, ICCOA was provided with a speaking slot at Biofach Congress. Mr. Manoj Kumar Menon Executive



Director and Rohitashwa Gakhar Director (operations) made a presentation at 'BIOFACH World: Trends and news of organic markets in China, India and South East Asia' on 13.02.19 in Room Copenhagen.

A presentation about Indian voyage into the organic space represented the growth of organic sector in India and opportunities. Mr. Gopal Hegde, Mr. Saurabh Chaudhary from ICCOA and Dr. Madhu Gill from Punjab Agri Export Corporation were also part of the delegation.



Biofach, Worlds leading trade fair for organic food, was also attended by Ms. Neeraja Adidam, IFS Joint Secretary, Ministry of Agriculture Cooperation and Farmers Welfare, GoI. ICCOA organized special meetings of JS with Ms. Louise Luttkholt, Executive Director and Dr. Frank Eyhorn, Vice President IFOAM Organics International. A discussion was held towards organizing a sensitisation program for the policy makers in form of a joint workshop by IFOAM, NCOF & ICCOA, wherein IFOAM team comes to India and part of the deliberations can happen at Bonn, headquarters of IFOAM Organics International. IFOAM also discussed about the 'Honest Food Campaign' started by them.

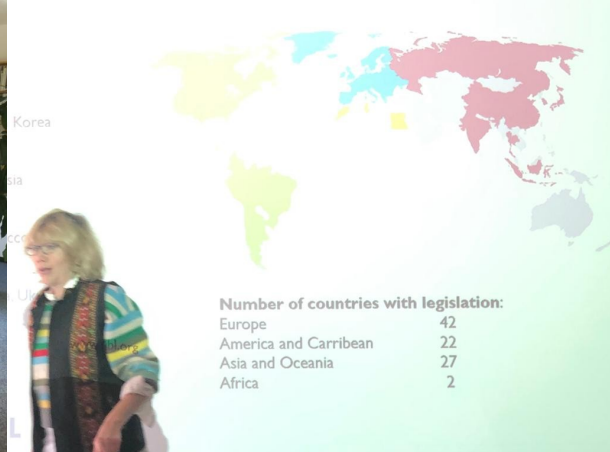


Further a meeting was also organized with Dr. Urs Niggli, Director FiBL where Ms. Adidam shared her concerns about the scientific organic solutions to pest & diseases in agriculture production. Dr. Urs invited Ms. Neeraja Adidam to visit FiBL in Switzerland.

More meetings with companies having interests in sourcing produces from India were also held. ICCOA team was also part of the meetings of delegation from Nagaland with IFOAM.

On 18th of February, an exposure program was organized at the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL) at Frick in Switzerland. This was attended by delegates from ICCOA, delegation from Nagaland and officer from Punjab Agri Export Corporation.





The entire program was well coordinated by Dr. Gurbir Bhullar, Scientist at FiBL. Dr. Urs Niggli, Director and Ms. Beate Huber Dy. Director made their presentations explaining about the working of FiBL and technical aspects of Markets with special reference to EU regulations.