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International Sustainable Agriculture & Appropriate Technology Contacts

This leaflet provides a summary of some of the international organisations concerned with tropical organic and sustainable agriculture, post harvest processing and appropriate technologies that you might like to approach for further information. Some provide information free of charge while others produce publications at a cost.

International Sustainable Agriculture Contacts

HDRA ~ the organic organisation

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HDRA is a leading organisation promoting, researching and demonstrating organic horticulture and agriculture in the UK and overseas. HDRA assists NGOs, self-help groups, farmers, schools and other organisations in the tropics and sub-tropics through a Question and Answer Service which provides easily understood information and advice on sustainable agriculture and agroforestry.

International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED)

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UK**

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IIED is an independent non-profit organisation and advocates sustainable patterns of world development through collaborative research, policy studies, networking and knowledge dissemination and through Earthprint publications – books on environment and development issues

Pesticides Action Network - UK

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UK**

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Formed to create awareness about problems associated with pesticides and their use all over the world. Produces newsletter and promotes alternative methods of pest control. See also their worldwide offices below:

**PAN North America
49 Powell Street, Suite 500
San Francisco, CA 94102**

**Website: www.panna.org
Email: panna@panna.org**

**PAN Latin America (RAP-AL)
Avenida Providencia No. 365, Dpto. No 41
Providencia,
Santiago de Chile**

**Website: www.rap-al.org/
Email: rapal@rapal.cl**

**PAN Germany
Nernstweg 32
D-22765 Hamburg
Germany**

**Website: www.pan-germany.org
Email: info@pan-germany.org
Tel: 0049 4039 9191 00**

**PAN Asia & the Pacific
P.O. Box 1170
10850 Penang
Malaysia**

**Website: www.panap.net/
Email: panap@panap.net
Tel: 04 6570271 / 6560381**

PAN Africa
BP: 15938 Dakar-Fann
Dakar
Senegal

Website: www.pan-africa.sn
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Also: Environment Liaison Centre International
P.O. Box 72461
Nairobi
Kenya

Email: herineo@elci.org
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International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM)

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GERMANY

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Website: www.ifoam.org/

IFOAM is a network of groups and individuals around the world concerned with the development of systems of agriculture and food production that harmonise with natural systems. They aim to study, practise and promote agricultural methods which are biologically, economically, and socially sustainable. The emphasis is on food production and the preservation of both the environment and the independent farmer. IFOAM initiates and coordinates research projects and networks on “developing countries” activities through I-GO (www.ifoam.org/partners/projects/igo.html). It produces a newsletter and a quarterly journal.

Centre for Research and Information Exchange in Ecologically Sound Agriculture (ILEIA)

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Website: www.leisa.info

ILEIA is an independent organisation contributing to poverty alleviation through the promotion of agro-ecological approaches. Collects and disseminates (free of charge) information as a means of contributing to improving the development options available to farmers. Most information is exchanged through the LEISA newsletter, which is also freely available on their website.

AGROMISA

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Website: www.agromisa.org/

Non profit-making, voluntary organisation whose aim is to contribute to the possibilities for socio-economically disadvantaged groups in “developing countries”. Attempts this by providing technical information on small-scale sustainable agriculture on request from groups in “developing countries”. Publishes a series of short, practical guides on aspects of sustainable agriculture that are available online in Pdf format, and are distributed by the CTA (see below).

Technical Centre for Agricultural and Rural Co-operation (CTA)

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Email: cta@cta.int
Website: www.agricta.org/

The CTA operates under the Lomé Convention between member states of the European Community and the African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) states. The aim of the CTA is to collect, disseminate and facilitate the exchange of information on research, training and innovations in the field of agriculture and rural development and extension, for the benefit of ACP states. Agromisa publications are mainly distributed freely to members of ACP states. There are regional offices in Brussels, Trinidad and Western Samoa. See website for address details.

International Institute of Rural Reconstruction (IIRR)

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Website: www.iirr.org**

A non-profit research and training centre, the twin mission of IIRR is to generate and disseminate knowledge on how to enable rural people in developing countries to release and use their inherent potentials and capabilities in improving their lives. To fulfil its mission, IIRR pursues two major programs: field operational research and international training and outreach. Headquarters are in the Philippines with regional centres in Africa, and Latin America, Asia and North America (see below)

Regional Centre for Africa, P.O Box 66873 Westlands, Nairobi, Kenya.
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Regional Centre for Asia, Y.C James Yen Center, Silang, Cavite 4118, Philippines.
Tel/Fax: +63 46 414 2417, +63 2 886 4385, E-mail: AsiaProgram@iirr.org

Regional Centre for Latin America, Hernando dela Cruz, N31-136 y Mariana de Jesus, Quito, Ecuador.
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United States Office, 333 East 38th Street, 6th Floor, New York, NY 10016, USA.
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Arid Lands Information Network (ALIN)

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KENYA**

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Email : info@alin.or.ke
Website : www.alin.or.ke**

ALIN is an organisation set up in 1988 for people working in semi-arid regions of Africa. It publishes and disseminates a series of booklets to stimulate a sharing of development experiences and produces a highly informative and practically-orientated network magazine "BAOBAB" three times a year. Another key activity is promoting the use of Worldspace satellite technology to enable people in remote areas in Africa, Asia and Latin America to access web-based text from the satellite without the use of a phone-line.

Rodale Institute

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The major American organisation working on and promoting organic methods for gardeners and farmers. The Rodale Institute works worldwide to achieve a regenerative food system that improves environmental and human health. Closely associated with Rodale Press who produce excellent publications on organic principles and practise around the world, and a magazine "Organic Gardening". Rodale International works closely with farmers in developing countries looking at appropriate sustainable technologies; also aims to promote an international network for sharing information in this field.

Educational Concerns for Hunger Organisation (ECHO)

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USA**

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Website: www.echonet.org**

ECHO exists to help those working internationally with the poor be more effective, especially in the area of agriculture. They do this through education and training, problem solving and networking. Produces Echo Development Notes (EDN) sent free of charge four times a year. In EDN practical information is shared about growing food under difficult circumstances. ECHO may provide small amounts of crop seed. A series of Technical Notes giving practical guidelines can be found on the ECHO website.

Bio-Integral Resource Centre (BIRC)

**PO Box 7414
Berkeley, CA 94707
USA**

**Tel: + 510 524 2567
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Email: birc@igc.org
Website: www.birc.org**

Information centre and publisher on integrated pest management. Will provide comprehensive advice on least toxic methods of pest control to members. Publications available to public.

Developing Countries Farm Radio Network (DCFRN)

**1404 Scott Street
Ottawa
Ontario
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CANADA**

**Tel: + 613 761 3650
Fax: + 613 798 0990
Email: info@farmradio.org
Website: www.farmradio.org**

A radio network that aims to provide and exchange practical and relevant information for use by partner-broadcasters, extension workers, adult educators and publishers. Their goal is to serve the interests of small-scale farmers and their communities and to ensure food security. Radio scripts, including diagrams on sustainable agriculture topics, can be obtained.

Food & Agriculture Organisation of the United Nations (FAO)

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FAO is a source of knowledge and information, helping developing countries and countries in transition modernize and improve agriculture, forestry and fisheries practices and ensure good nutrition for all. Special attention is focused on developing rural areas. Publishes hundreds of newsletters and reports and distributes magazines.

International Fund for Agricultural Development

**Via del Serafico, 107
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Website: www.ifad.org**

Ifad focuses exclusively on rural poverty reduction, working with poor rural populations in developing countries. Operates at a local level in 115 different countries and territories. With an extensive knowledge base IFAD also provides some loans to its developing Member States and grants to various institutions and organisations.

CGIAR CENTRES

The Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research (CGIAR) is a network of organisations working internationally on complementary issues surrounding agriculture. Their mandate is not specifically organic or sustainable agriculture, but some of their work is in this field.

The International Institute of Tropical Agriculture (IITA)

Headquarters: Ibadan, Nigeria.

Website: www.iita.org Email: iita@cgiar.org

IITA's mission is to enhance the food security, income, and well-being of resource-poor people primarily in the humid and subhumid zones of sub-Saharan Africa by conducting research and related activities.

World Agroforestry Centre (ICRAF)

**Nairobi
KENYA**

Email: icraf@cgiar.org

Website: www.worldagroforestry.org

The World Agroforestry Centre (formerly ICRAF) is an autonomous, non-profit international research council whose mandate is to initiate, stimulate and support research leading to more sustainable and productive land use through the integration or better management of trees in land-use systems.

International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI)

**Nairobi,
KENYA**

Email: ilri@cgiar.org

Website: www.ilri.org

ILRI is a non-profit making NGO working towards poverty reduction and sustainable development for poor livestock keepers and their communities in tropical developing regions.

Africa Rice Centre (WARDA)

**Cotonou,
BENIN**

Email: warda@cgiar.org

Website: www.warda.org

WARDA's mission is to contribute to poverty alleviation and food security in Africa, through research, development and partnership activities aimed at increasing the productivity and profitability of the rice sector.

International Centre for tropical agriculture (CIAT)

**Cali,
COLOMBIA**

Email: ciat@cgiar.org

Website: www.ciat.cgiar.org

CIAT is a non-profit organisation that conducts socially and environmentally progressive research aimed at reducing hunger and poverty and preserving natural resources in developing countries.

International Potato Centre (CIP)

**Lima
PERU**

Email: cip@cgiar.org

Website: www.cipotato.org

CIP seeks to reduce poverty and achieve food security on a sustained basis in developing countries through scientific research and related activities on potato, sweetpotato, other root and tuber crops, and on the improved management of natural resources in the Andes and other mountain areas.

International Centre for the Improvement of Maize and Wheat (CIMMYT)

**Mexico City
MEXICO**

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Website: www.cimmyt.org

CIMMYT serves the poor in developing countries by drawing on strong science and effective partnerships to create, share and use knowledge and technology of farming systems and food security.

International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)

**Washington DC
USA**

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Website: www.ifpri.org

IFPRI aim to provide policy solutions to reduce hunger and malnutrition through research and dissemination of results.

International Plant Genetic Resources Institute (IPGRI)

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ITALY**

Email: ipgri@cgiar.org

Website: www.ipgri.org

Agricultural research and training organisation devoted to the study and promotion of agricultural biodiversity.

International Centre for Agricultural Research in the Dry Areas (ICARDA)

**Aleppo
SYRIAN ARAB REPUBLIC**

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Website: www.icarda.org

Works to alleviate poverty through research and training in dry areas of the developing world. Is committed to the advancement of agricultural research and free exchange of information for research.

International Crops Research Institute for the Semi-Arid Tropics (ICRISAT)

**Andhra Pradesh
INDIA**

Email: icrisat@cgiar.org

Website: www.icrisat.org

ICRISAT is a nonprofit, non-political organization that does innovative agricultural research and capacity building for sustainable development with a wide array of partners across the globe.

International Rice Research Institute (IRRI)

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PHILIPPINES**

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Website: www.irri.org**

The Institute's main goal is to find sustainable ways to improve the well-being of present and future generations of poor rice farmers and consumers while at the same time protecting the environment, mainly through research training and publications.

WorldFish Centre

**Penang
MALAYSIA**

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Website: www.worldfishcenter.org**

An international scientific research organization with a mission to reduce poverty and hunger by improving fisheries and aquaculture, mainly in developing countries.

Centre for International Forestry Research (CIFOR)

**Bogor
INDONESIA**

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Website: www.cifor.cgiar.org**

CIFOR is an international research and global knowledge institution committed to conserving forests and improving the livelihoods of people in the tropics.

International Water Management Institute (IWMI)

**Colombo
SRI LANKA**

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The Institute concentrates on water and related land management challenges faced by poor rural communities. IWMI works through collaborative research with partners in the North and South.

Appropriate Techniques Contacts

Practical Action (Formerly the Intermediate Technology Development Group)

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Website: www.practicalaction.org**

Practical Action's Technical Enquiry Service gathers and disseminates information and advises on the choice of technologies appropriate to "developing countries". The publishing section, Intermediate Technology Publications produces a wide range of information relevant to sustainable livelihoods. Practical Action has regional offices in Bangladesh, East and Southern Africa, Latin America, Nepal, South Asia and Sudan.

German Appropriate Technology Exchange (GATE)

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GATE runs an information and advisory service (ISAT), co-operates with partner programmes and supports NGOs in "developing countries". Advises on project planning and implementation, operating a question and answer service for individual queries. Produces publications and appropriate technology materials, literature searches and documentation on appropriate technology.

GTZ now also offers a website on Organisations involved in Organic Agriculture in the developing world. This has been developed to improve access to over 100 organisations in more than 40 countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America advising on organic agriculture.

ATOL – Appropriate Technology and project management in Developing countries

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BELGIUM**

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Website: www.atol.be**

Offers advice on small-scale production, soap, textiles, cultural and gender issues, tanning and rural workshops.

TAT – Transfer Centre for Appropriate Technologies

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D-48432 Rheine
GERMANY

Tel: (49) 59 71 990 100
Fax: (49) 59 71 990 150
Email: info@tat-zentrum.de
Website: www.tat-zentrum.de

Offers advice on renewable energy systems (including PV, solar thermal, biogas, hydro-power), new agro-based products, energy saving and ecological construction of houses, recycling and waste.

WOT – Working Group On Development Techniques

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A knowledge centre for small-scale applications of sustainable energy and hand pumps for developing countries. WOT provides an information service, organises courses and workshops and writes and distributes publications.

AGRECOL Afrique

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A networking organisation aiming to promote, expand and coordinate long term, self-reliant initiatives in sustainable agriculture in West Africa. Training and information centre which focuses on traditional cultivation methods and their contribution to modern sustainable systems.

Please note, this is only a limited selection of hundreds of organisations working on Sustainable Agriculture and Appropriate Technologies around the world. For details of other organisations not mentioned here try:

IFOAM – www.ifoam.org
ILEIA – www.leisa.info
IIRR – www.iirr.org
GTZ - www.gtz.de

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