

# Newsflash

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## Africa Pavilion at BioFach 2008

Happy new year to all!

BioFach is getting real close, but things are moving.  
68 applications are listed in the BioFach catalogue

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| - 4 from Burkina Faso | - 10 from Ethiopia |
| - 1 from Benin        | - 1 from Cameroon  |
| - 6 from Ghana        | - 6 from Kenya     |
| - 1 from Madagascar   | - 6 from Rwanda    |
| - 9 from Tanzania     | - 14 from Uganda   |
| - 7 from Zambia       | - 1 from Zimbabwe  |

These are mainly exporters and National movements. Other organizations with stands are EPOPA; SIPPO; CERES; IMO; NATURLAND; FAO; Grolink and Agro Eco.

In total around 120 people from Africa will take part in the pavilion!

### Exporters / exhibitors

Addisu Alemayehu from the Ethiopian Association of Organic Agriculture (EAOA) has convinced Ethiopian Airlines of the importance of the African Pavilion. They are ready to transport the exhibitors with an exclusive discount of 10-15%

### Symposium Organic Africa

The program is shaping up well. See the latest version on our website. We have confirmation from most of the speakers. Among them:

- Janet Nukwaya, Minister of Tourism, Trade and Industry, Uganda
- Fatou Gaye Sarr, Minister of Rural Development, Senegal
- Alexander Müller, Deputy Director, FAO, Italy
- Gerald Herrmann, President, IFOAM, Germany
- Friedrich von Kirchbach, Director of Product and Market Development, ITC

### News from the countries

Ms. Nyakanda of the Zimbabwe Organic Producers and Promoters Association (ZOPPA) reaction to the Africa Pavilion (AP): "I visited your website and got so thrilled by the ideas being put down especially for the AP. I recognise that participation from sub Sahara is still limited and that is mainly because of lack of information and exposure. I would want to applaud for such an initiative. There is no doubt that the initiative will lead to a tremendous growth in trade from Africa. It is a wonderful opportunity for upcoming organisations such as ours to learn, share with those who have been exhibiting before and also to benefit from discussions that will be going on. The experiences will definitely go a long way in making organic agriculture as well as marketing of the products a reality in Zimbabwe.

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