Agroecology and organic agriculture in India and the Himalayas: Enhancing fertile landscapes and improving living conditions

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Starting with a Reception

In 2018, the first 100% organic state in the world, Sikkim in the North of India, received the Gold Award of the UN backed Future Policy Award, also known as 'Oscar' for best policies. The policy successfully enhances soil fertility and increases biodiversity at field and landscape level. Further states in India and the Himalayas have adopted 100% organic farming goals or aim to adopt them. This side event will highlight innovative policies from India and the Himalayas, which help achieve the land degradation neutrality target and improve the living conditions of people affected by desertification, land degradation and drought.

PROGRAMME

Welcome
Ibrahim Thiaw, Executive Secretary, UN Convention to Combat Desertification (UNCCD)

The Future Policy Award and the Movement towards an Organic Himalaya
Alexandra Wandel, Executive Director, World Future Council

Speakers
H.E. Pawan Chamling, former Chief Minister, Government of Sikkim, India
H.E. Hon’ble Lyonpo Yeshey Penjor, Minister for the Ministry of Agriculture and Forests, Bhutan
Bablu Ganguly, Timbaktu Collective, World Board member of IFOAM – Organics International

Interactive dialogue

Moderation
Dr. Ashok Khosla, Founding Councillor, World Future Council; Chairman, Centre for Development Alternatives; former Co-President, Club of Rome and former President, International Union for Conservation of Nature

Host Organisations
UNCCD, World Future Council and IFOAM – Organics International