



4th International Conference

Organic Rice Farming and Production Systems

Sendai - Japan

September 4th - 7th, 2023

The conference aims to stimulate and foster exchanges between scientists, rice growers and other stakeholders in the organic rice production and commercialization chain. These exchanges, focused on organic rice production in different regions throughout the world, will be organized to 1) collect and assess practical knowledge and functions of current organic rice production systems, 2) discover applied innovations and identify obstacles that hinder further development of the systems, 3) analyze the impact of different types of organic rice production on food quality, health, and the environment, 4) strengthen the international innovation network on sustainable rice production, and 5) explore the issues, levels, and consequences of a scale shift toward the mainstreaming of organic agriculture throughout the agri-food chain.

Provisional Program

- Session 1** **Current situation of organic rice in the world**
- Session 2** **Organic rice production: cropping and farming system**
- Session 3** **Organic chains: processing, marketing, and consumption**
- Session 4** **Quality, nutrition, and health**
- Session 5** **Agroecosystem, biodiversity, and landscape**
- Session 6** **Scale shift towards mainstream organic production**
- Round table** **Discussion on future scenarios and conclusions**
- Field trips and discussion**

Background of the International Symposium on Organic Rice Production Systems:

The 1st International Symposium on Organic Rice Production Systems was held in September 2012 by the Montpellier Center of the French National Agricultural Research Institute. Since 2000, the center has been conducting participatory research in collaboration with farmers, focusing on promoting organic rice in the Camargue region, which extends to the delta at the mouth of the Rhone River. With the shared recognition of its participants towards the importance of promoting and encouraging international comparisons of organic rice production systems based on collaborative research outputs, succeeding symposiums were held in various locations: 2nd International Symposium in Milan, Italy, in September 2015 in the framework of the International EXPO Feeding the Planet, Energy for Life; and 3rd International Symposium in Porto Alegre, Brazil, in March 2018. The 4th International Symposium was initially scheduled for August-September 2021 but was eventually postponed due to the Covid 19 pandemic, and related travel restrictions for both local and international participants.



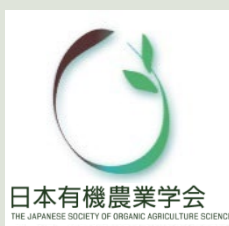
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Time schedule

- 2023 March Call for Abstracts for Oral and Poster Presentations
- April Start of Registration
- May Deadline of Abstract Submission
- June Notification of Abstract Status
- July Deadline of Paper Submission
- September 4-7 ORP4 Conference

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