



DLG Feldtage 2026: Solutions for Resilient Organic Arable Farming

16–18 June 2026 – International DLG Crop Production Center, Bernburg – Guiding theme “Crop Production out of the Box” – More than 300 exhibitors expected – DLG Spotlight: Organic Farming – Effective mechanical weeding, ridge cultivation for resilient organic systems – dlg-feldtage.de

Under the guiding theme “Crop Production out of the Box,” the DLG Feldtage 2026 will present a wide-ranging program focused on organic arable farming. Visitors to the exhibition grounds can look forward to a comprehensive pool of expert knowledge and products from exhibitors: organisations such as Bioland and the Saxony-Anhalt State Institute for Agriculture and Horticulture (LLG) will showcase crops and crop mixtures for organic farming on dedicated trials plots.

A further key focus is the use of ridge cultivation systems in organic farming as a concept for resilient and economically viable arable production. Naturland, one of Germany’s leading organic farming associations, together with the Marktgesellschaft der Naturlandbauern AG and Biopark, will provide information on organic markets and advise organic farmers, new entrants as well as conventional farmers entering the organic farming segment.. Demonstration farms specializing in organic agriculture will present innovative operational models on-site.

DLG Spotlight “Organic Farming” – Practical Insights for Arable Systems

The DLG Spotlight “Organic Farming” at the 2026 Feldtage delivers hands-on insights into organic crop production. Trial plots will feature regionally adapted crops such as durum wheat, winter pea–triticale mixtures, and field vegetables, demonstrating their role within viable regional value chains.

A complete crop rotation will illustrate the potential of stockless organic farming systems in the dry regions of Central Germany. Exhibitors will further demonstrate mechanical weed control in spring crops using a hoe with 45 cm row spacing, complemented by expert talks and discussions.

Agroforestry is another key theme, with demonstration plots showcasing establishment methods and the benefits of agroforestry systems in arable farming.

Expert Exchange and Knowledge Transfer

Visitors will benefit from in-depth technical advice and direct exchange with professionals. Advisors and experts will provide guidance on variety selection, nutrient management and cropping strategies. Pop-up talks, panel discussions on organic markets and guided excursions to the LLG organic trial fields will deepen practical insights. The organic demonstration farms will showcase innovative business models, with farm managers available for discussion on successful production systems and farm management innovations.

Ridge Cultivation for Resilient (Organic) Arable Farming

Ridge cultivation offers new approaches for both organic and conventional farming. In addition to classical ridge crops, farmers can grow cereals, legumes, maize and other crops using ridge systems.

This approach is characterized by loose soil structure with stable crumb formation, improved root development and enhanced soil water management.

Beyond crop management, the DLG Spotlight “Organic Farming” also provides insight into technical innovations, using Vitatill technology as an example. Key focuses include: precise shallow cultivation (flat or contour-based), deep strip loosening below plough or cultivator layers, partial seeding and advanced mechanical crop care.

In addition, the integration of application technology for nutrients and supporting inputs will be demonstrated. Machinery on display includes ridge cultivators for ridge formation and hoeing systems for crop care and weed control.

On each of the three even days at 11:30 a.m. (Stand VF 42), expert consultation sessions on ridge cultivation will take place, where specialists from practice and agricultural engineering will discuss specific questions on crop management, machinery and farm economics.

Machinery Demonstrations and FarmRobotix

The machinery demonstrations at the DLG Feldtage will feature seven thematic areas with a total of 66 machinery combinations, making the event Europe’s largest commented live machinery demonstration.

Key topics include:

Soil-friendly and efficient tractor operation, mechanical weed control using harrows in spring durum wheat and hoes in maize; deep non-inversion tillage before drilling direct seeding and strip-till systems in cover crops or stubble

The FarmRobotix area will showcase field robots in practical use, providing an overview of the current state of development of autonomous agricultural systems. All demonstrations are led by expert commentary and will take place live once per day during the event.

Further information on ridge cultivation is available here:

<https://www.dlg-feldtage.de/en/news/ridge-cultivation-experience-the-practical-benefits-for-arable-farming-in-the-dlg-spotlight-on-organic-farming>

Organisers and partners

Co-organizers include the Ministry of Economic Affairs Link, Tourism, Agriculture and Forestry of Saxony-Anhalt, the State Institute for Agriculture and Horticulture, and AGRAVIS Raiffeisen AG. Professional partners such as Vereinigte Hagel Insurance Mutual Association VVaG, the Union for the Promotion of Oil and Protein Plants (UFOP), the Federal Agency for Agriculture and Food, and other organizations will support the open-air exhibition as part of the technical program.

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About DLG

With more than 30,000 members, DLG is a politically independent and non-profit organisation. DLG draws on an international network of some 3,000 food and agricultural experts. DLG operates with subsidiaries in 10 countries and also organizes over 30 regional agricultural and livestock exhibitions worldwide. DLG's leading international exhibitions, EuroTier for livestock farming and Agritechnica for agricultural machinery, which are held every two years in Hanover, Germany, provide international impetus for the local trade fairs. Headquartered in Frankfurt, Germany, DLG conducts practical trials and tests to keep its members informed of the latest developments. DLG's sites include DLG's International Crop Production Centre, a 600-hectare test site in Bernburg-Strenzfeld, Germany and the DLG Test Centre, Europe's largest

agricultural machinery test centre for Technology and Farm Inputs, located in Gross-Umstadt, Germany. DLG bridges the gap between theory and practice, as evidenced by more than 40 working groups of farmers, academics, agricultural equipment companies and organisations that continually compare advances in knowledge in specific areas such as irrigation and precision farming.

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