



Organic seeds for all: will you join us?

Do you presume that organic food comes from organic seeds? Unfortunately, today's reality is still different. **80% of organic farmers and organic gardeners use conventional seeds, simply because they lack organic ones. We want to change that!** Our association, Living Seeds, promotes the diversity of fertile organic seeds. Seeds that will bring about healthy plants and fruits which delight with good taste and high nutritional value – without genetic modification and without any chemical fertilisers or pesticides.

»Individuals with their spiritual and physical energy “culturise” our seeds and thus our fruits which we harvest and on which we feed.“ «

Stefan Doeblin, Chairman of the Board of Living Seeds e.V.

In most places, organic plant breeding and seed production is still in its infancy. **We understand the plant as a part of its environment. And we want to enable it to optimally adapt to it – without losing its value.** Central and Northern Europe import a lot of organic food from Southern Europe, but so far, hardly any organic plant breeding takes place in the South. These countries are traditionally rich in fruits and vegetables with a distinctive taste, beauty and seductive fragrances. They connect us to the warmth of the South and allow us to remember the feeling of summer vacations. In view of climate change and globalisation, high-quality organic seeds – “living seeds” – are required to preserve the

cultural organic heritage of these countries. Seeds that produce healthy, delicious organic fruits despite the increasing heat, droughts and pests.

However, **the development of organic and biodynamic seeds takes time and costs money.** It takes 5 to 10 years for a new variety to be officially registered in the seed register and costs between € 40,000 and € 100,000. Knowledge, skills, labour and land must be financed. Organically bred plants do not grow under clinical, artificial conditions, but within their natural habitat, and are protected and strengthened exclusively with biological and biodynamic preparations. But who can afford this – especially in rural southern Europe? This is exactly where our association Living Seeds e.V. comes in.

We initiate and finance research projects in the Mediterranean that aim at breeding nutritious and resistant organic plants for healthy yields – in harmony with nature.

To make this possible, we need your support! With a membership fee of only € 30 per year you can help our plant breeding projects and enhance trainings, quality assurance and awareness-raising – and thus become an element in the fabric of Living Seeds. For any additional donations for our non-profit association and of course for spreading the word about us and our purpose, we are particularly grateful!

Do you have any questions or suggestions? Would you like to become a member yourself or donate a membership to someone? Visit our website **www.lebendesamen.bio** and contact us.

We look forward to hearing from you!

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