

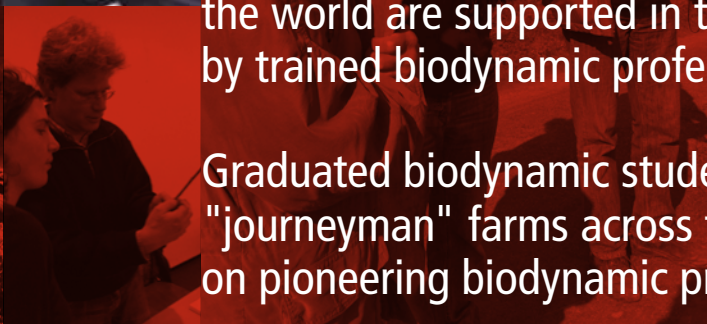
Sektion für Landwirtschaft
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**A platform for worldwide
learning and exchange**

biodynamic ambassadors



Pioneering biodynamic farms throughout the world are supported in their work by trained biodynamic professionals



Graduated biodynamic students find their "journeyman" farms across the world on pioneering biodynamic projects

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The Idea

It arose during the Agriculture Conference of February 2011:

Young people who have completed their biodynamic training want to experience the world before they make a long term commitment to a farm. Would it not be possible for those newly trained to go somewhere where the biodynamic work is just starting in for example South Africa, Morocco, southern India or Peru? For it is the farmers on these pioneering farms who most frequently ask for help with the practical implementation of biodynamics.

The biodynamic ambassadors

The ambassadors are people who both give and receive. They help to make biodynamics a reality in a particular place, and they get to know the project and the surrounding local culture. A practical form of cultural exchange which helps to weave a personal network between north and south, east and west.

The project platform

A project office is based at the Section for Agriculture at the Goetheanum.

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Information and registration

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How does it work?

I want to be an ambassador:

- I send in my training documents as evidence to the project office
- I select a suitable farm with the help of the office
- I participate in the induction course
- Then I start on the pioneer farm

I manage a pioneering biodynamic farm:

- I apply to the project office for an ambassador
- Following successful eligibility checks an ambassador placement is processed
- I take up direct contact with a potential ambassador
- The ambassador comes and works on our farm

Quotations

«It was fascinating for me to participate in this pioneer project: I was immersed in an utterly different agricultural context and yet could form enriching connections with people who also work with biodynamics.

The tasks required of me went way beyond what I had hitherto learned and sent me on a rapid learning curve. Working together so closely formed a lasting bond between us despite our differing cultural and religious backgrounds and I gained insights into the existential challenges of water shortage and soil salinisation.»

Ladina Heldstab, Biodynamic Agricultural Training, Switzerland

«We share our modest lifestyle with you, take you with us to work with the biodynamic methods that will secure the future of agriculture for our families. We face many questions! Your engagement has helped us feel we are among friends and not alone in facing the challenges that threaten us. It gives us courage!»

Saidi Sadok, biodynamic farming cooperative, southern Tunisia