



Reconnecting

100 Years of Biodynamics
1924 -> 2024 ->

Puerto Princesa City, Palawan,
Philippines

**Asian Biodynamic Training and
Networking Conference Philippines 2024
28 November to 1 December**

Related Events

Introduction to Biodynamic Agriculture
19 to 20 Nov

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Ezekiel Moreno Retreat Center

A conference for farmers, gardeners, researchers, nutritionists, traders, consumers...

We invite all who have practical knowledge or who have participated in at least an introductory course on Biodynamic Agriculture, covering its principles and the impulses given 100 years ago during its founding.

The conference is meant to bring the good spirits of Asian Biodynamics together, and to provide time for productive exchange and community-building, which will nourish our souls and minds. It will serve as a venue where we can learn from each other. It will be based on the seven life and seven learning processes.

The conference is a not-for-profit effort, and fees are kept low. We encourage participants to contribute an additional amount so that requests for support can be met.

The conference fee of PHP11,900 (USD 250), valid until October 31, includes full board and lodging, teaching fees, materials and transportation from event location to and from the farms. AFTER October 31, and if slots are still available, the fee will be PHP14,900 (USD 300).

Conference language will be English. Those who need an interpreter are requested to organize their own. Should assistance from the organizers be necessary, please communicate this.

Conference Schedule*

DAY 1 Thursday, 28 November 2024

- 13:30 Arrival, check-in, sign-up and welcome drink
- 15:00 Artistic welcome, eurythmy
- 16:00 Self-introduction of participants
- 17:30 Dinner, then transfer to venue of evening lecture
- 19:00 "Celebrating 100 Years of Biodynamics", Welcome address
"Impact of BD on soil, health, social relations, 30 years of experience in India",
An evening lecture by Binita Shah
- 20:30 Travel back to conference venue, end of day 1

DAY 2 Friday, 29 November 2024

- 07:00 Eurythmy, games and singing
- 08:00 Breakfast
- 08:45 Plenum
- 10:45 Snacks
- 11:00 Workshop
- 12:30 Lunch and travel to Luzviminda by bus
- 14:30 Farm visit: First attempts on developing a farm organism in Palawan
- 17:30 Travel back to conference venue
- 18:30 BD food testing, dinner by Chef Rick
- 20:30 End of day 2

DAY 3 Saturday, 30 November 2024

with sunrise and sunset Agnihotra Ritual

- 07:00 Eurythmy, games and singing
- 08:45 Plenum
- 09:15 Workshop
- 10:45 Snacks
- 11:00 Open space
- 12:30 Lunch
- 14:00 Perception and art workshops
- 15:30 Snacks
- 15:45 Workshop
- 17:15 Seed, product, and planting material exchange
- 18:00 Dinner
- 19:00 Cultural night

DAY 4 Sunday, 1 December 2024

- 07:00 Eurythmy, games and singing
- 08:00 Breakfast
- 08:45 Workshop
- 10:15 Snacks
- 10:30 Learnings, intentions, agreements, artistic good-bye
That good may become...
- 12:00 Lunch and end of conference

**Schedule may change without prior notice.*

Introduction to Biodynamic Agriculture

Seeds = Future

Basics of Biodynamic Agriculture featuring the Importance, the Saving and the Breeding of Seeds by Koberwitz 1924, Inc. Team

19 November (09:00) to 20 November (16:00)

Koberwitz 1924 Seedgarden and Farms

Open to farmers and gardeners of different backgrounds, agribusiness entrepreneurs, academic researchers, urban/rural planners, and anyone interested in sustainable and regenerative agriculture

This intensive workshop gives basic insight into the hundred years of biodynamic practise, and how it came about as a result of the declining seed and food qualities after the introduction of synthetic fertilizers at the end of World War I. Discover the origin, basics and principles of Biodynamic Farming and the importance of saving and breeding seeds. You will get exposed to some key principles like the farm individuality, rhythms in agriculture or biodynamic preparations. You will learn how to feed the soil, understand the immense effects of BD on biodiversity, atmosphere, food quality, plant, animal and human health and carbon integration, and set your feet on an actual biodynamic farm. We shall do work with our hands to get a *firsthand* experience with the basics of biodynamics. Expect the un-expected and bring a notebook wherein you can write or draw your very own insights.

**The successful completion of this workshop qualifies for the participation in the Biodynamic Preparations-Making Course on 23 to 26 November and the Asian Biodynamic Training and Networking Conference Philippines 2024 on 28 November to 1 December.*

Schedule:

19 November (Tuesday): 09:00-1045. 11:00-12:30. 14:00-15:45. 16:00-17:30.

20 November (Wednesday): 09:00-1045. 11:00-12:30. 14:00-16:00 (with guest appearance by Binita Shah).

Fees: Local: PHP 1,990 International: USD 40

Inclusions:

Teaching fees, materials, 2 lunches, snacks, transportation from Seedhouse to farm and back

Biodynamic Preparations-Making Course by Binita Shah, SARG India & BD Philippines Team

23 to 26 November 2024

Koberwitz 1924 Seedgarden and Farms



The biodynamic preparations are a central and basic ingredient of a truly regenerative agriculture, aimed at revitalizing the farm organism and creating sustainable, resilient agricultural systems. As we have done every year, we will make all the preparations of this season.

This year, we feel most honored to welcome Binita Shah as our main teacher. She is a biodynamic farmer in the foothills of the Himalayas. Ms. Binita is the world's largest prep-maker, a social entrepreneur and an agriculture development professional. She is the founder of <https://www.sargindia.org/> and <https://www.supaindia.org/>, organizations dedicated to the promotion of organic agriculture. SARG India is a national player in Organic/Biodynamic Agriculture Development and is credited with the making 1.5 million composts with farmers from four states. SUPA Biotech P Ltd produces biodynamic preparations for thousands of farmers and markets organic products through <https://himalayaorganicindia.com/>. Ms. Binita has supported governments in Northern India and has helped tens of thousands of families out of poverty through her work. She was the Prime Mover for the Organic Agriculture Policy for Government of the province of Uttarakhand in 2002 and headed the Organic Commodity Board (2003 to 2015).

**Prerequisite for participation in this course is actual practise of biodynamic agriculture or attendance in an introductory course on biodynamic agriculture.*

Fees: Local: PHP 6,950 International: USD 150

Inclusions: Teaching fees, materials, 2 lunches, snacks, transportation from Seedhouse to farm and back

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23 to 26 November 2024

Koberwitz 1924 Seedgarden and Farms

(Continuation)



Schedule:

DAY 1 Saturday, 23 November (Seedhouse)

14:00-15:45 Introduction to the preparation-making: why, what, when, how

16:00-17:30 Prep practise: Horn manure and horn silica (500 and 501)

19:00-20:30 Lecture: Biodynamic preparations - an organism of remedies

DAY 2 Sunday, 24 November (Seedhouse)

Prep Practise: The Preparing of remedies 502 to 506

09:00-10:45. 11:00-12:30. 14:00-15:45. 16:00-17:30.

DAY 3 Monday, 25 November (Puting Buhangin Farm)

Prep Practise: starting the transformation process

09:00-10:45. 11:00-12:30. 14:00-15:45. 16:00-17:30.

DAY 4 Tuesday, 26 November (Seedhouse)

Prep Practise, research and integration of workshop

09:00-10:30. 10:45-12:00.

Biodynamic preparations 500-508 as well as compost, cow pat pit, liquid fertilizers and bio pesticides will be introduced. BD 500, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, will be made.

Post-Conference Harvesting and Integration

1 December (14:00) to 3 December (10:00)

At the end of the conference, there will be two nights in <https://www.sunrisemansion-palawan.com> to discuss how the seeds of the conference can germinate and grow in good soil in the different centers of biodynamic activity in Asia. Program to be collegially established onsite.

Fees: Local: PHP 3,900 International: USD 75

Inclusions: Transport from and back to downtown, meals and room-sharing accommodation

Registration and Contact Details

Register for the main conference and related events here:
<https://forms.gle/iZDNnEcZY2dUbRHS7>

Email Address:
biodynamicphilippines@gmail.com

FaceBook Group:
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/812447483777408>

Reconnecting with Our Peers*

The following individuals have confirmed participation -- join us.

Binita Shah, India - Preparation-maker, farmer, government consultant

Prof. Pam Fernandez, Philippines - University of the Philippines (UP) Los Banos

Nguyễn Ngọc Sơn, Vietnam - Farmer and advisor, Biodynamic Việt Nam

Dr. Aliakbar Shafighi, Iran - Certification and consultancy, YPARD, Tehran

Keet Laoratananuruk, Thailand - Farmer, Harvest Moon Valley

Christine Dolino, Philippines - Permaculture design practitioner, consultant

Louise Far, Philippines - Photographic creative, biographical consultant

Dr. Min Shi, PRChina - Translator of Agricultural and Bee Course, editor of Planting Calendar

Dr. Regina Sharmila Dass, India - Assistant professor of Microbiology, soil expert, BD consultant

Walter Siegfried Hahn, Philippines - Farmer, certified advisor

Anthoni Selvi, India - Farmer, teacher, cow girl

Aeon Mapa, Philippines - Biodynamic farmer, Waldorf teacher

Mahendra Shreshta, Nepal - Farmer, teacher, Holy Green Agri Farm

Dr. Grace Zozobrado-Hahn, Philippines - Anthroposophic physician, eurythmy therapist, educator, farmer

Peerachote (Sam) Charanwong, Thailand - Merit Food Products, Demeter certified producer & processor

Enrique Canizares, Philippines - Farmer, Waldorf teacher, community organizer

Sudarshan Chaudhary, Nepal - Farmer, Tarai Indigenous Peoples

Tanga Pandian, India - Farmer, teacher, Farm School India

Frank Chiu, Philippines - Agri-entrepreneur, biodynamic farmer-in-training, Waldorf education

**list not yet final*