

## Meet the speaker

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When The Organic Summit 2025 takes place in Copenhagen on August 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> the participants will be introduced to an excellent line-up of scientists from all over Europe.

One of them is Christine Watson, who is Professor of Agricultural Systems at SRUC (Scotland's Rural College). She also holds a Guest Professorship at SLU (Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences). Christine's research focuses on the management of micro and macro nutrients in organic and conventional agri-food systems at a range of scales from local to continental.

She has a particular interest in crop diversification and the agronomic and environmental benefits this can bring in stocked and stockless farming systems.

Christine was President of the *European Society for Agronomy* (2014/2016), and President of the *Association of Applied Biologists* (2017/18). She is on the editorial board of the *European Journal of Agronomy*. Christine currently chairs the *UK Expert Group on Organic Production*.

Christine describes herself as:

"I am a soil scientist interested in soil and nutrient management in organic and conventional agri-food systems at a range of scales from local to continental. Current interests include:

- Developing "user friendly" soil health metrics
- Integrating grain and forage legumes into farming systems
- Optimizing crop/livestock linkages for improved resource use efficiency
- Spatial and temporal crop mixtures for efficient nutrient use."

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