

USDA AMS NOP CERTIFIER MEETING

Nuremberg, Germany INFORMATION SHEET

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The USDA National Organic Program (NOP) will hold a certifier meeting and training session on NOP regulation implementation in Nuremberg, Germany in conjunction with the BioFach 2007 Conference. The meeting will cover a number of issues regarding certifier activities and the most current application of the NOP regulations. Representatives from USDA Accredited Certifying Agents and State Organic Programs are invited to attend.

<u>Dates</u>: February 15, 2007, 10:00 am – 5:00 pm

Location: Ringhotel Loew's Merkur

Pillenreuther Straße 1

90459 Nuremberg, Germany

Room: Salon 1-3

<u>Fee and Registration</u>: There is no fee to attend the session, however advanced registration is required. Fee and registration are required for the BioFach Conference.

Directions, Accomodations, Additional Information: www.biofach.de/main/Page.html.

To register for the NOP meeting:

- Contact Ms. Francine Torres at <u>francine.torres@usda.gov</u> to register persons attending the training.
- Room Capacity is 50. There is a 2 person registration limit per agency and preference will be given to accredited certifying agencies. However, the 2 person limit will be lifted if space is still available less than 14 days prior to the session.
- Attendees may submit questions they would like to be addressed during the training session.

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