

Off the peat path - Suitability and availability of alternative substrates for peat use in European horticulture

22. November 2022, Online workshop

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| 10:00 | Opening remarks & practical issues | <i>Andreas SCHÜTTE, Agency for Renewable Resources, GERMANY</i> |
| 10:10 | “Possibilities and effects of a reduction of peat use in horticultural substrates in Germany (MITODE)” | <i>Olivier HIRSCHLER & Anja KRETZSCHMANN, Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institute, GERMANY</i> |
| 10:35 | “Wood fiber in Dutch pot plant culture; peat replacement up to 50% in volume?” | <i>Chris BLOK, Wageningen University, THE NETHERLANDS</i> |
| 11:00 | “Reducing and replacing peat in Irish horticulture: The research challenge” | <i>Michael GAFFNEY, Horticulture Development Department, Teagasc, IRELAND</i> |
| 11:30 | BREAK | |
| 12:00 | “Reuse growing media for circular cultivation in Belgium” | <i>Bart VANDECASTEELE, Flanders Research Institute for Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, BELGIUM</i> |
| 12:25 | “Sphagnum as an alternative substrate for peat in horticulture - the potential of paludiculture in Austria (PALUS)” | <i>Stephan GLATZEL, University of Vienna, AUSTRIA - tbc</i> |
| 12:50 | “Peat replacement in horticulture – a Norwegian research perspective” | <i>Bente FØREID, Norwegian Institute of Bioeconomy Research (NIBIO), NORWAY</i> |
| 13:15 | “Life cycle assessment of peat substitutes: sustainability of Danish growing media” | <i>Fatemeh HASHEMI, Aarhus University, DENMARK - tbc</i> |
| 13:40 | BREAK | |
| 14:15 | Panel discussion
“The future of peat-free growing media in Europe” | <i>Moderator: Simon BUSSE, Agency for Renewable Resources, GERMANY</i> |
| | Speakers: | |
| | <i>Ute Katharina VOGLER, Julius Kühn Institute (JKI), GERMANY</i> | |
| | <i>Philipp GRAMLICH, TurfVrij, THE NETHERLANDS</i> | |
| | <i>Neil BRAGG, Growing Media Association (GMA), UK</i> | |
| | <i>Alex MATHIS, Zurich University of Applied Sciences (ZHAW), SWITZERLAND</i> | |
| 15:15 | Closing remarks | <i>Lena HUCK, Agency for Renewable Resources, GERMANY</i> |
| 15:30 | End of workshop | |

Duration: 240 min. (4 hours), excluding breaks