

# Facts and Figures

## Fascination of Plants Day 2022



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2022

813 events uploaded on FoPD website

56 countries signed up for FoPD

### A Global Initiative

289 events in Poland, 118 events in Italy, 45 in Portugal, 36 in Spain – top in Europe

23 events in Lebanon, 17 in China, and 7 in India – most active in Australo-asia

11 events in Mexico, 10 in Argentina and 7 in Canada – best in the Americas

2 events in Angola and 1 in Kenya – top in Africa

**3 National patronages:** Ing. Zdeněk Nekula, Minister of Agriculture of the Czech Republic; Czech Association of Private Farmers of the Czech Republic; JUDr. Samuel Vlčan, Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development of the Slovak Republic.

**1 International video contest:** SusCrop ERA-Net opened this to all countries, in our numbers we count this as one instead of 56 events counted by the website.

250,000 plant species

15,234 users online at <https://plantday18may.org/> (06.12.2021 -05.12.2022 = 1 year)

4,620 followers on Twitter @PlantDay18May

3,514 followers on Facebook FoPD – >3,200 like this

648 followers on Instagram @fascinationofplantsday

### Organised under the umbrella of the European Plant Science Organization, EPSO

26.000 plant researchers and staff belong to EPSO membership

2.600 personal EPSO members

Around 200 research institutes and universities represented by EPSO

61 National Coordinators mobilising the community in their countries

4 Global Coordinators synchronising the effort and providing central resources

54 Countries confirmed	Events	Countries confirmed	Events	Countries confirmed	Events
Angola	2	Germany	4	Philippines	2
Argentina	10	Greece	-	Poland	289
Australia	-	Hungary	8	Portugal	45
Austria	21	Iceland	4	Romania	-
Belgium	8	India	7	Russia	2
Bolivia	1	Ireland	9	Saudi-Arabia	-
Bosnia & H.	1	Italy	118	Serbia	20
Brazil	2	Japan	4	Slovakia	13
Bulgaria	3	Kenya	1	Slovenia	32
Canada	7	Latvia	-	Spain	36
Cape Verde	-	Lebanon	23	Sweden	4
Chile	5	Lithuania	4	Switzerland	8
China	17	Mexico	11	Turkey	4
Croatia	17	Nepal	-	Ukraine	4
Czech Republic	29	Netherlands	-	UK	19
Ethiopia	-	Nigeria	-	Uruguay	1
Finland	1	Norway	-	USA	1
France	16	Pakistan	-	Zambia	-

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Institute of Molecular Plant Sciences  
@InstMolPlantSci

'Plants for the Future' European Technology Platform (...)  
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We had such a great time @PlantDay18May @TheBotanics #FoPD22. Thank you to everyone who stopped by to chat to us. See you all again next year for more #loveplantscience events #plantsci @SBSatEd @GlobalPlantGPC @PlantSciEvents @eusci @Dr\_AnnisR @Sandy\_Heth @SpoelLab



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Judith Lundberg-Felten  
@PopPlantScience

Proud of my team @UmeaPlantSci for having arranged such a nice station on the hidden life of tree roots aka #ectomycorrhiza for @PlantDay18May at @CuriosumC



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# Join the International "Fascination of Plants Day" on May 18, 2022

The fascinating world of plants will be once more in the spotlight thanks to the European Plant Science Organisation (EPSO), which invites you to celebrate the sixth Fascination of Plants Day on and around May 18th 2022. For this purpose, scientific institutions, universities, botanical gardens and museums, together with schools, farmers and companies will offer a variety of plant-based interactive events and activities for all interested people from toddlers to grandparents.

The Fascination of Plants Day (FoPD) was first launched in 2012, followed by FoPDs from 2013 to 2019 at which over 860 events were organised in over 90 countries world-wide, attracting many thousand visitors. This coordinated activity aims to plant virtual and constantly germinating seeds in the collective mind of people, recalling that plant science is of critical significance to social, environmental and economic issues on our Earth today and in future.

Join in and offer activities at your or other facilities or participate as a visitor! All information about this initiative can be accessed at <http://www.plantday18may.org> and is supported by a network of national coordinators who voluntarily promote and disseminate the activities within their countries.



Botanical Garden Unipd Lab  
@HortusLabUnipd

Quanti frutti conosci? Mettiti alla prova! Oggi e domani all'@ortobotanicopd puoi trovare i ricercatori del @DiBio\_UniPD @UniPadova che incontrano il pubblico per parlare di biodiversità dei frutti nelle piante @PlantDay18May @EVOfruland\_RISE



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Fascination of Plants Day #FoPD22 at Viikki campus - @roosa\_laitinen giving hands-on training how to cross Arabidopsis! Not as easy! @PlantDay18May @viikki\_plants @BioEnvHelsinki @helsinkiuni



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