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Dear reader,

It is a pleasure for me to announce the first workshop for junior researchers within the EU integrated project "Quality Low Input Food".

The workshop will take place 2 - 4 February at the Louis Bolk Instituut, the Netherlands:

"Healthy soil, healthy crops, healthy people"

High food quality is based on a high soil quality. That's why soil quality is of utmost importance for further development of organic agriculture. And that's why soil quality is the basic theme of this first International Workshop within the EU integrated project "Quality Low Input Food". This workshop is being organised by Louis Bolk Institute (Netherlands) and Newcastle University (Great Britain).

The aim of the two-days workshop is "to transfer both theoretical background knowledge and practical skills in the use of new techniques and experimental approaches". Participants will be Ph.D students and junior scientists/post-doctoral researchers. There is a maximum of 40 participants.

The Louis Bolk Instituut is a research institute for organic agriculture, nutrition and health. Knowledge and skills, gained and developed in 25 years of research in organic agriculture will be brought into the workshop. Both lectures and skill training belong to the program. To the workshop team belong researchers from the Louis Bolk Institute, Wageningen University and Research Centre, Newcastle University and extension workers out of the organic agriculture sector.

Within these three days, participants will be introduced both to background and actual knowledge, and both theory and practice of research approaches and techniques that are suited for the questions around soil, soil fertility, soil quality and product quality in organic agriculture.

More information can be found on the QLIF web site: [www.qlif.org/forum/train1](http://www qlif.org/forum/train1); please have a look there.

We kindly request you to have a look around you for junior scientists who might be interested in attaining this workshop. Feel free to send this announcement forward to colleagues and to related organisations. Thanks for that.

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