

# Facts and Figures

## Fascination of Plants Day 2017

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Full events listing, Press Releases, Fact sheets, regularly updated: [www.epsoweb.org/fopd17](http://www.epsoweb.org/fopd17);  
Official website, with images, and most events: [www.plantday.org](http://www.plantday.org), last updated 9.5.2017

**838 events** already uploaded on FoPD websites, many more are taking place  
**52 countries** signed up for FoPD

### A Global Initiative

94 events announced in Poland, 90 in Italy, 80 in Spain, and 79 in Ukraine – top in Europe  
40 events in China, 19 in Japan and 13 in Singapore – most active in Australo-asia  
15 events in Mexico, 14 in Brazil, 12 in Argentina and 11 in USA – best in the Americas  
1 institution each organizing an event in Angola and Tanzania – top in Africa

**5 National patronages**; Andrä Rupprechter, Austrian Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Forestry, Environment and Water Management; Czech Minister for Agriculture Marian Jurecka; Prof. Dr. Johanna Wanka, German Federal Minister of Education and Research and Christian Schmidt, German Federal Minister of Food and Agriculture; Minister of Agriculture and rural Development of the Slovak Republic, Missis Gabriela Matečná

250.000 plant species

**158.449 unique visitors online**

**5,544 tweets** sent using the hashtag **#PlantDay**, with a potential reach of **6.7million accounts**

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

28.000 plant researchers and staff belong to EPSO membership

3.300 personal EPSO members

Over 220 research institutes and universities represented by EPSO

**52 National Coordinators** mobilising the community in their countries

**4 Global Coordinators** synchronising the effort and providing central resources

| 52 Countries confirmed | 838 Events | Countries confirmed | Events | Countries confirmed | Events |
|------------------------|------------|---------------------|--------|---------------------|--------|
| Angola                 | 1          | France              | 14     | Poland              | 94     |
| Argentina              | 12         | Germany             | 48     | Portugal            | 52     |
| Australia              | 1          | Hungary             | 29     | Romania             | 14     |
| Austria                | 15         | India               | 1      | Russia              | 17     |
| Belgium                | 3          | Ireland             | 2      | Saudi-Arabia        | 3      |
| Bolivia                | 1          | Italy               | 90     | Serbia              | 1      |
| Bosnia                 | 2          | Japan               | 20     | Singapore           | 13     |
| Brazil                 | 14         | Lebanon             |        | Slovakia            | 9      |
| Bulgaria               | 9          | Lithuania           |        | Slovenia            | 29     |
| Cameroon               |            | Mexico              | 15     | Spain               | 80     |
| Canada                 | 2          | Mozambique          |        | Sweden              | 6      |
| Chile                  | 4          | Nepal               |        | Switzerland         | 23     |
| China                  | 40         | Netherlands         | 1      | Tanzania            | 1      |
| Croatia                | 10         | New Zealand         | 1      | UK                  | 31     |
| Cyprus                 |            | Nigeria             |        | Ukraine             | 79     |
| Czech Republic         | 30         | Norway              | 8      | Uruguay             |        |
| Ethiopia               |            | Philippines         |        | USA                 | 11     |
| Finland                | 2          |                     |        |                     |        |