

Congress of the Luxembourgish allotment federation

According to a well established tradition the Luxembourgish allotment gardeners met on Palm Sunday, 9th April 2017, for their annual congress.

308 delegates from 111 associations met in Diekirch. Fernand Etgen, minister for agriculture and Carole Dieschbourg, minister for environmental protection, representatives from the administration and partner organisations, as well as Malou Weirich, secretary general of the International Office du Coin de Terre et des Jardins Familiaux, were present.

After the statutory requirements and the honouring of deserving members, Marc Fischer made an interesting lecture concerning the campaign against food-waste. www.gaartanheem.lu/galerie/Präsentation

Focussing the attention of the population, the authorities and the media on the allotments is a necessity accompanying us since the foundation of our movement.

The day of the garden, the day of the flower and, as it is called in Luxembourg, "Dag vun der oppener Gaardepärtchen" (open day in the garden) gives once a year the allotment gardeners the possibility to especially highlight the many folded values of the allotments. Consequently, this day has also to be sufficiently visible to reach its aim.

That's why following resolution was adopted with unanimity:

Open day in the garden:

- Considering the important function of this traditional event organised by the Luxembourgish allotment federation.
- Considering the increased participation of the allotment gardeners in this „open day in the garden“.
- Considering the insufficient visibility of this day both for the public in general and for the foreign visitors of the country.

The congress decides:

- To organise, preceding the event, an information campaign including, if possible, the media.
- To seek for a partnership with national and regional responsible people dealing with tourism.



