

# International Field Days in Plovdiv

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*After the successful implementation of the DLG Field Days (DLG – the German Agricultural Society) in Turkey, Romania and Ukraine, the first International Field Days Bulgaria will take place in Plovdiv from 5 to 7 June 2018 at the training, experimental and implementation base of the Agricultural University in Plovdiv. The organizers expect more than 50 participants and around 5,000 visitors in 2018.*

The International Field Days are a well-established international platform for meetings between farmers, consultants, manufacturers and distributors of seeds, fertilizers, plant protection products and machinery. Modern plant varieties, new production inputs, improved cultivation methods, live demonstrations of agricultural machinery, as well as the latest scientific discoveries.

On 48 trial plots various types of crops, new varieties, plant cultivation and nutrition, and modern plant protection will be presented. A specially designated exhibition area intended for the presentation of agricultural machinery will be provided. In addition, manufacturers of agricultural machinery and equipment will be able to present their machines in operation on 20 demonstration plots. Furthermore, visitors will have the opportunity to attend a demonstration of sprayers on a specially designated obstacle field.

The International Field Days Bulgaria will be held near Plovdiv on the experimental fields of the Agricultural University of Plovdiv, which are located 150 kilometres southeast of the capital Sofia and 1 km southeast of Plovdiv (Tsarigradsko Shosse) in the centre of the fertile Maritsa River valley – one of the most important production areas in Bulgaria for various cereal and oilseed crops, fruit and vegetables.

The International Field Days enjoy great interest from farmers and agricultural experts in a number of other countries where they are held.

The organizer of the event is IFWexpo Heidelberg, a subsidiary of DLG (*the German Agricultural Society*), which has many years of experience in organizing similar events in Ukraine, Poland, Romania, Turkey and Russia. The German society is also the creator of the well-known Hanover trade fair for agricultural machinery “Agritechnica”.

The main partner of the international exhibition is the Agricultural University in Plovdiv, which has a modern infrastructure and a professional team. The cooperation between the Bulgarian agricultural university and the German society is oriented towards the long term, with the aim that the International Field Days in Bulgaria become an established fixed date in the country’s agricultural calendar.

## Exhibitors and products