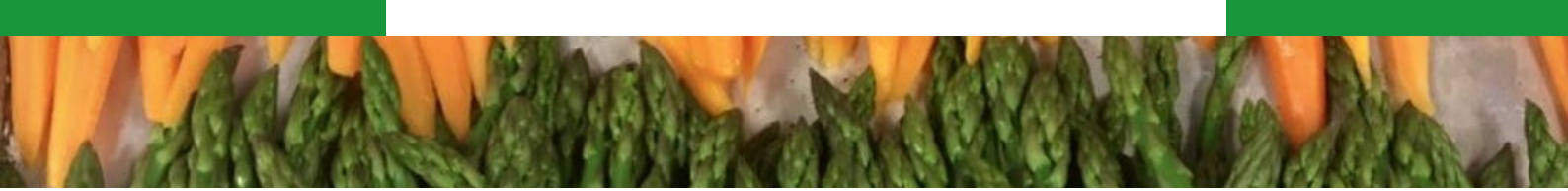


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PRESS RELEASE

» OPTA Europe elects new Board to Navigate Tomorrow's Challenges

Brussels, 24 September - A new chapter for OPTA Europe started at the General Assembly 2026, held in Brussels on 24 September, when a new Board was elected for a 3 years mandate. The new Board is composed as follows:

- President

Stefan Hipp (Hipp) – Germany

- Vice-president

David Caré (Ecotone) – France

- Treasurer

Christine González (Dried Ingredients) – Germany

- Members of the Board

Karst Kooistra (Tradin Organic) – The Netherlands

Allard Bakker (De Groene Weg) – The Netherlands

Re-elected president Stefan Hipp said he was honoured to be taking the presidency again and was looking forward to tackling the regulatory and practical challenges for organic trading and processing companies ahead.

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