37th Asparagus Day

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18 November 2026, Karlsruhe Exhibition Centre, Conference Hall

Programme

	Welcome Dr Ulrich Kraft, Head of Department, Karlsruhe Regional Council
13.00	**Asparagus cultivation in Switzerland** From field to plate – Cultivation, marketing and challenges facing Swiss asparagus farming Andreas Rohner, Managing Director of LANDI Seebachtal, Canton of Zurich Roland Grütter, Seeberg, Farm Manager at Leinacherhof, Canton of Bern
13:50	**Asparagus robots versus manual harvesting** Insights into the VSSE study on mechanical harvesting Rolf Meinhardt, Tannenhof Weiterstadt
14:20	**Well prepared for climate change** How can we respond to changes in asparagus cultivation Dr Ludger Aldenhoff, Asparagus and Strawberries Advisory Service e.V., Haßloch
14:50	**Yellow nutsedge in asparagus** Detection, containment and control: the gap between aspiration and reality Nils Kraushaar, Asparagus Adviser, LWK Lower Saxony
15.20	**Improving the quality of green asparagus** Is the net tunnel the solution? Carsten Wenke and Ralf Große-Dankbar, Asparagus advisers at the North Rhine-Westphalia Chamber of Agriculture
15.50	**Spotlight on asparagus** New greening trial, introduction of new adviser, analysis of price index Foodcircuits project – Asparagus production in Germany, Hannah Wadle, social anthropologist Isabelle Kokula, Asparagus adviser for the Karlsruhe district
16.30	End of the event

Most of the presentations will be projected simultaneously with an English translation.
The event is organised by the Karlsruhe Regional Council, the Karlsruhe District Office and the Association of South German Asparagus and Strawberry Growers (VSSE). Angelika Appel from the Karlsruhe Regional Council and Isabelle Kokula, asparagus adviser at the Karlsruhe District Office, will guide participants through the programme.
Admission is included in the exhibition ticket.

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