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Dr. Regine Andersen has worked with the Fridtjof Nansen Institute (FNI) since 1994, with a break from 2012 to 2017 when she was Executive Director of Organic Norway, the umbrella organisation for organic food and farming in Norway. She is Research Professor at FNI, with more than 20 years of experience in the governance of crop genetic resources and farmers' rights related to seed.

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