

**“What is home to weeds and crops
and which roles do both play? ”**

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What is a crop ?



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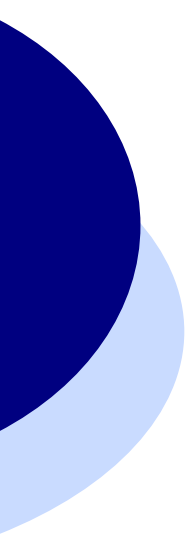


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**Is this a crop or a
weed?**



How do we find out?

We study all kinds of habitat.



We are taught.

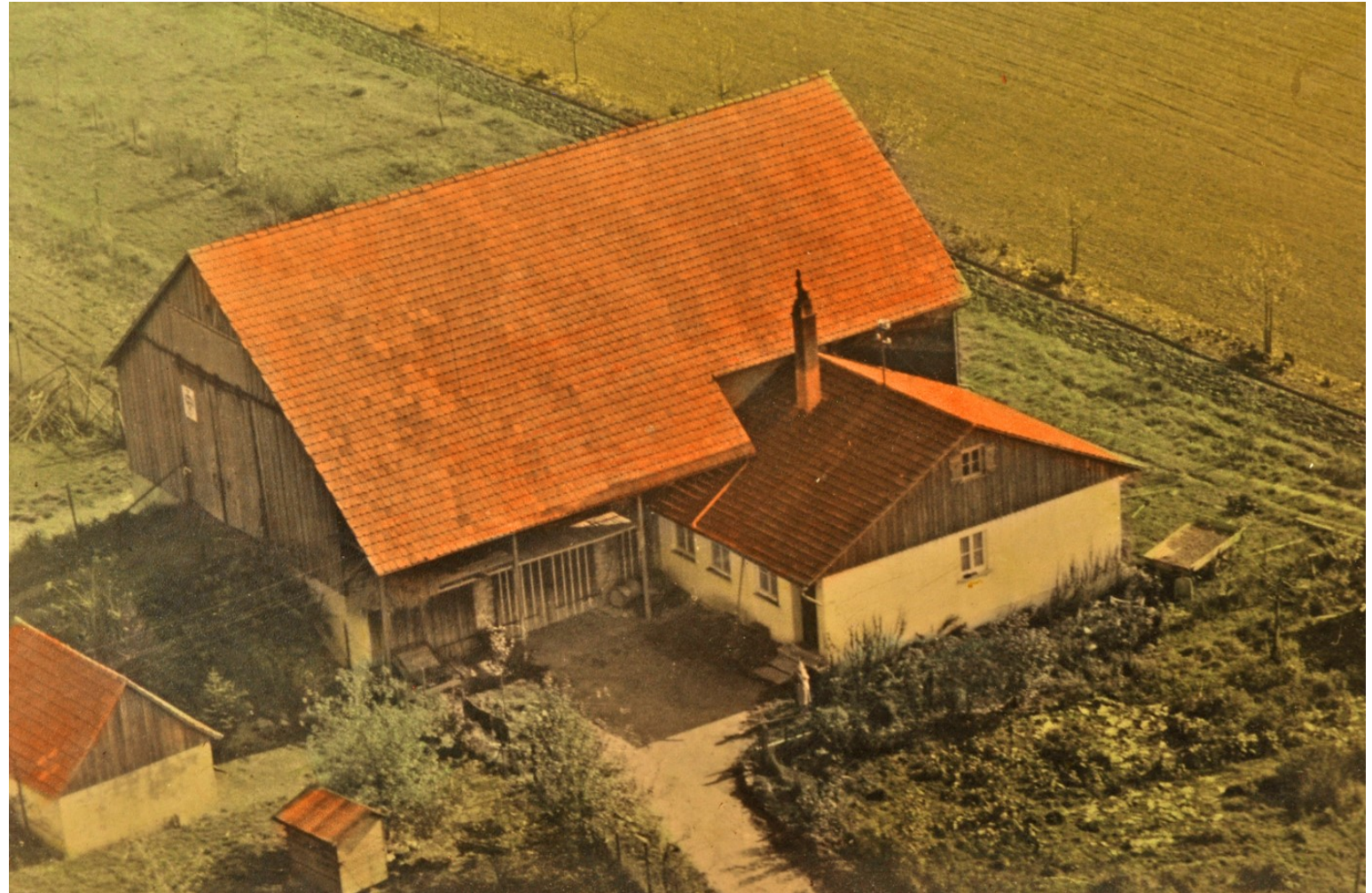


We exchange our experience.



Where do weeds come from and what is typical of weeds?

- Natural environment –
- Southern Germany



Weeds are plants in a wrong place. What is the right place?

- Artificial environment –
- Pensacola, FL 1984



Are weeds social?

- Pisa, 2015



Do weeds share resources?

- Kaposvar, HU, 2010



Weeds may be in a dominant position.

- Near Ulm, Germany, 1953



Will technology eliminate weeds?

- Champaign, Illinois, 2008

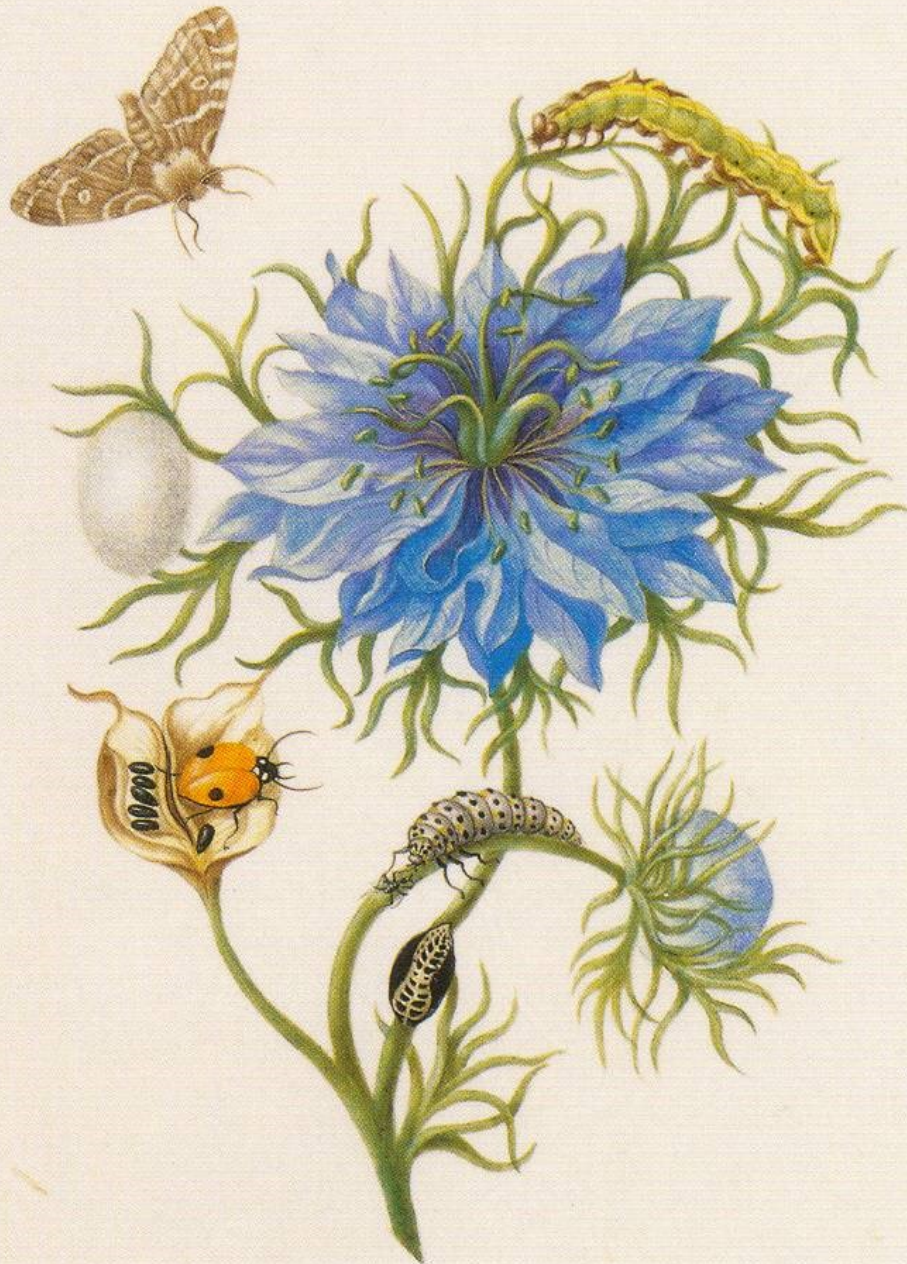




**Weeds do not just belong
to agriculture, they are
part of our environment:**

**“Weeds in a landscape”
by
Adrian Wisziniewski
Gallery of Modern Art,
Glasgow**

Maria Sibylla Merian:
„Das Raupenbuch“
Part III, Amsterdam
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**Today,
biodiversity
forces us to
think far
beyond
biology and
agriculture.**

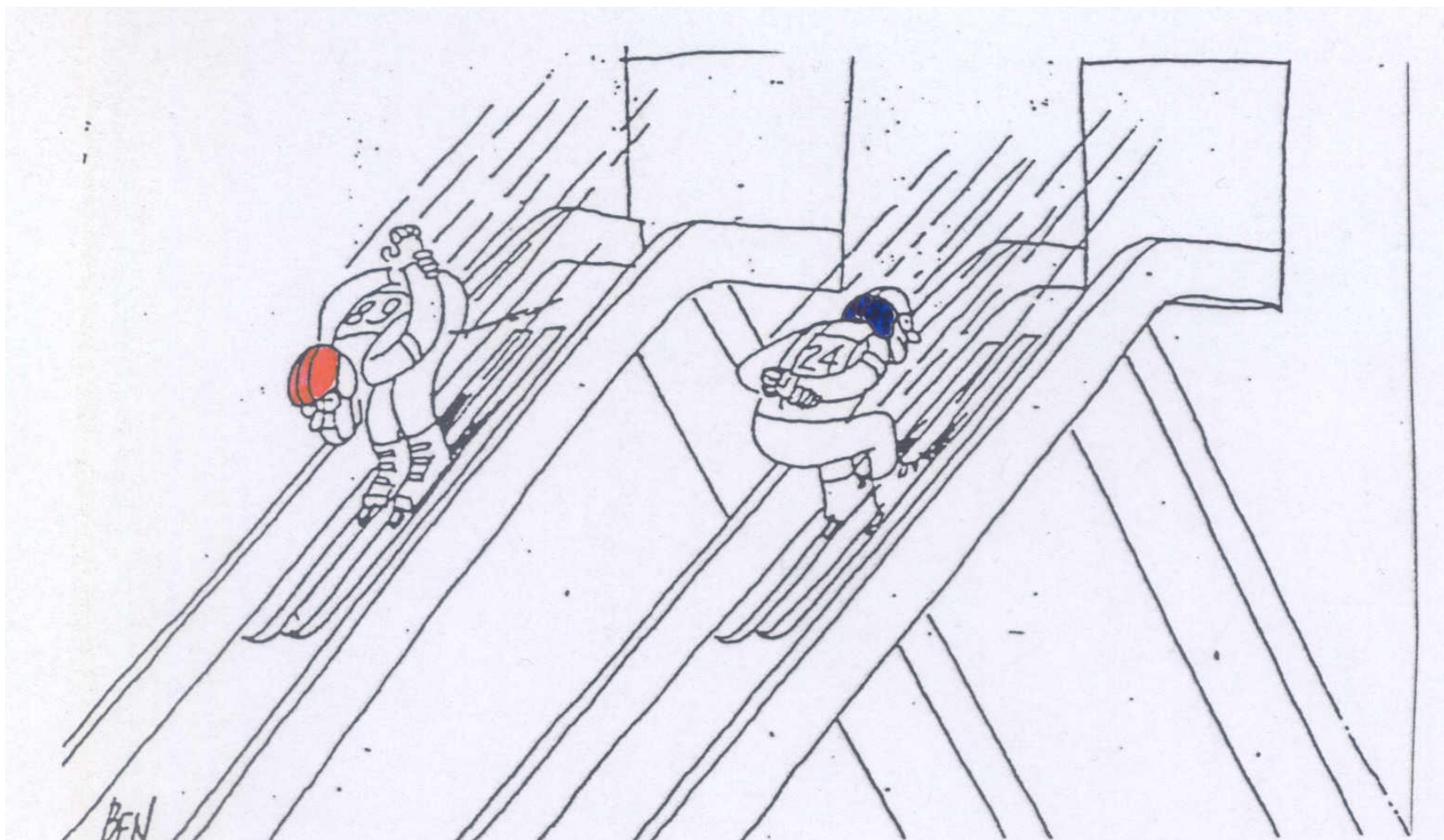
The latest insight: Crops may provide special services.

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Where do we want to go and how do we get there?





We will find out together!

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- **W**orking Groups have well defined objectives
- **W**e tackle a wide scope of targets
- **R**esearch magazine with outstanding reports
- **R**ight mix of cultures and nationalities
- **S**cience is the backbone of our society
- **S**o be it in the future !