Il contributo dell'Agricoltura Biologica allo sviluppo della strategia Farm to Fork

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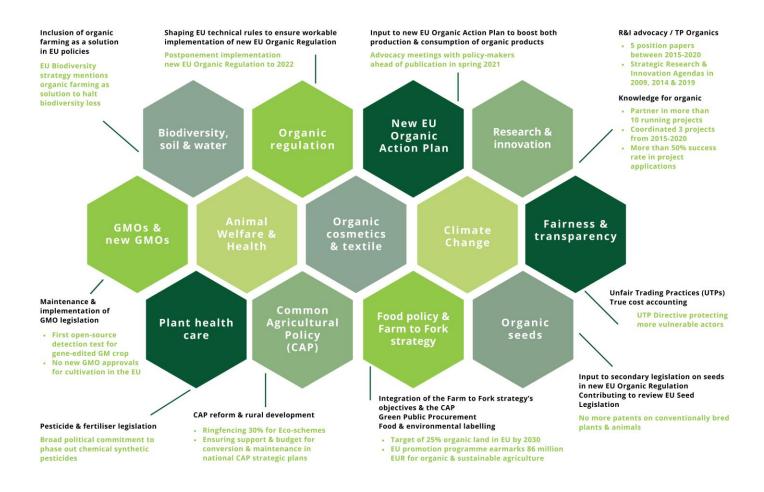


WHO WE REPRESENT

- IFOAM Organics Europe represents the entire organic food chain and beyond
- We count almost 200 members in 34 European countries
- Based on the IFOAM principles of organic agriculture:
 Health, Ecology, Fairness & Care

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...with a big impact on organic operators





WORKING ON ORGANIC DEVELOPMENT

...to keep the movement growing

- FutureEUAqua Innovating aquaculture
- FoodShift2030 Tranforming Europe's food system
- LIVESEED Boosting organic seed & plant breeding
- RELACS Phasing out dependency on & use of contentious inputs
- SmartAgriHubs Realising the digitisation of agriculture

- BIOFRUITNET Strengthening the competetiveness of European organic fruit production
- Organic Farm Knowledge platform -Exchanging knowledge to enhance organic farming
- "Let's discuss organic" webinars
- Regular exchange with IFOAM Organics Europe's interest groups

 European Organic Communications Hub

· Member extranet



• Provide tools for strategy development

• Support for Action Plan development

• Update of internal strategy





"AT THE HEART OF IT IS OUR COMMITMENT TO BECOMING THE WORLD'S FIRST CLIMATE-NEUTRAL CONTINENT. IT IS ALSO A LONG-TERM ECONOMIC IMPERATIVE: THOSE WHO ACT FIRST AND FASTEST WILL BE THE ONES WHO GRASP THE OPPORTUNITIES FROM THE ECOLOGICAL TRANSITION."

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INVESTING IN SMARTER, MORE SUSTAINABLE TRANSPORT

PROTECTING NATURE AND BIODIVERSITY





STRIVING FOR GREENER INDUSTRY

FROM FARM
TO FORK



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ELIMINATING POLLUTION

GREEN CHANGE GLOBALLY



MAKING
HOMES ENERGY
EFFICIENT



FINANCING GREEN PROJECTS ENSURING
A JUST
TRANSITION
FOR ALL



Farm to Fork Strategy: goals



Gli obiettivi dell'UE sono:

- ridurre l'impronta ambientale e climatica del sistema alimentare dell'UE,
- rafforzare la sua resilienza,
- garantire la sicurezza alimentare di fronte ai cambiamenti climatici e alla perdita di biodiversità
- condurre una transizione globale verso una sostenibilità competitiva dal campo alla tavola e sfruttare nuove opportunità.



4 aspirational targets in F2F by 2030

 Reaching 25% of agricultural land under organic farming by 2030



 A reduction by 50% of the use and risk of chemical pesticides and the use of more hazardous pesticides by 50% by 2030



 A reduction of nutrient losses by at least 50% while ensuring that there is no deterioration in soil fertility. This will reduce the use of fertilisers by at least 20% by 2030.



 A reduction by 50% of the sales of antimicrobials for farmed animals and in aquaculture by 2030





The EU experience: Implementation...



- EU code & monitoring framework for responsible business and marketing conduct in the food supply chain
- Strengthen the legislative framework on geographical indications
- Enhance coordination to tackle
 Food Fraud
- Revise **Exparketing standards**

Actions to ensure sustainable food production

Actions to stimulate sustainable practices by food industry and retail, hospitality and food service

- Recommendations to MS addressing the nine specific objectives of the CAP Strategic Plans
- Action plan for the organic sector
- **Revision of Sustainable Use of Pesticides Directive**
- Action plan for **integrated nutrient management**
- Revision of the existing **animal welfare** legislation
- Proposal on New Genomic Techniques

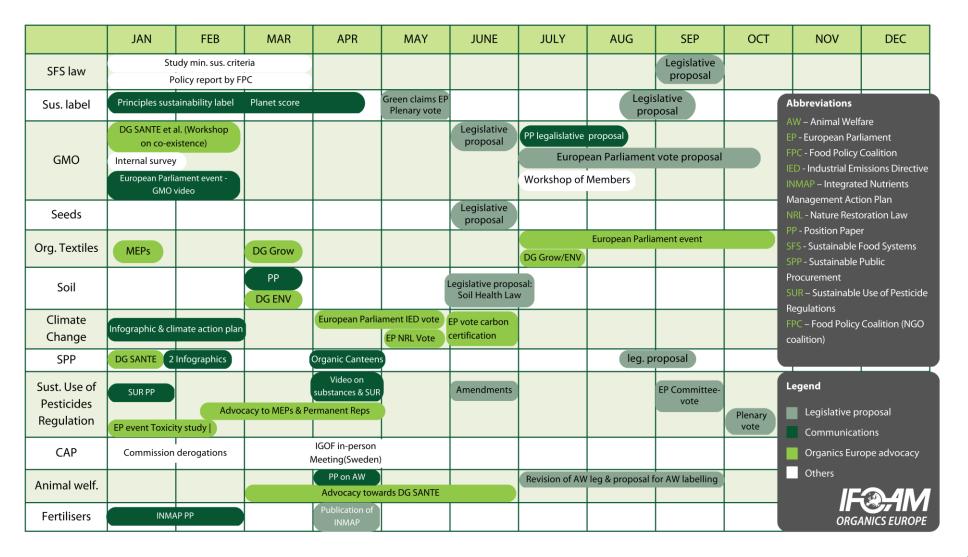
Actions to promote shift towards healthy, sustainable diets



- Proposal for a sustainable food labelling framework
- Review of the EU promotion programme
- Review of the EU school scheme
- Proposal for a harmonised mandatory front-of-pack nutrition labelling



Policy timeline 2023 – IFOAM Organics Europe

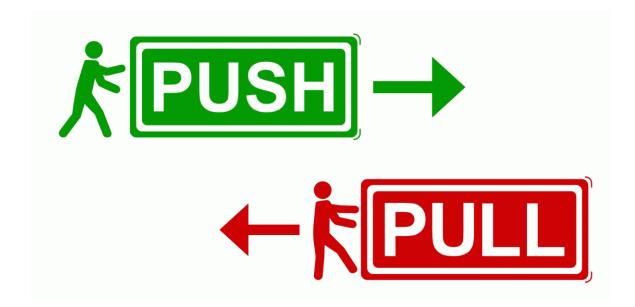




...what is the role of the future European Organic Action Plan?

25% Organic land in EU by 2030, ambitious but achievable with the right push-pull strategies in place:

- stimulate overall demand,
- increase production and
- enhance research, innovation, development and capacity building







...how to stimulate overall demand?



- Internalise external costs, the Farm to Fork Strategy states "The Commission's proposal on VAT rates could allow Member States to make more targeted use of rates, e.g. support organic fruit and vegetables".
- The Commission should offer guidance to Member States on how to mainstream environmental considerations into fiscal and competition policies, with examples of best practice such as pesticide taxes.



- Mandatory, progressive, sustainable food procurement in all EU schools, kindergartens and other public canteens with at least 20% of products from organic agriculture by 2022; this % would increase year after year.
 - Involve regional and local authorities
 - Data collection about how GPP guidelines are working
- Adjust EU financing for school milk and fruit schemes so that Member States receive 20% higher joint financing from the EU for organic programmes.
- School curricula should include lessons about food production and consumption, climate change etc.
- Ring-fence budget for organic in promotion policies (48 millions in 2023).
- Further promote export of EU organic products







...how to increase production?

- A national target on organic farming and a commitment to prepare a national organic action plan should be compulsory for member states to have their CAP Strategic Plans approved
- Adequate budget should be provided to conversion and maintenance of organic farming at national level.
- Adapt registration of plant protection natural substances suitable for organic and making more tools available for (organic) farmers

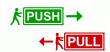


- Capacity-building actions towards regional producers organisations to ensure that they
 have the organisational capacity to reply to tenders and market needs
- Strong non-governmental market development capacity, allowing partnerships with retail and food service leaders, and strong consumer awareness effort
- Develop bio-districts, CSA and short supply chains, together with the support of local and regional authorities













- A dedicated budget to ensure the availability and preparation of organic advisers (in AKIS and RD programmes) call deadline in March 2023.
- Ringfence budgets for R&I for organic farming and agro-ecological approaches are needed, both in national research and innovation (R&I) programmes and European framework. 30% of overall budger for agricultural research.



- Adequate budget for R&I in organic solutions applicable to all agriculture and food systems.
- To improve animal welfare, breeding programmes should be set up for organic livestock production for more robust, climate resilient animals that require less high-quality protein feed.
- Research alternative sources of vitamin and other food/feed ingredients
- Increase liability for fraudsters
- Investigate possibilities for placement of liability on pesticide producers and users, based on the polluter pays principle
- Inform and create the capacities to tackle the issue of pesticides at every level of the organic value chain, including transport, storage, processing and packaging





Enabling transition - Promoting global transition

- International cooperation to support developing countries in their transition to sustainable food systems;
- Inclusion of ambitious sustainability chapter, including on food, in all EU bilateral trade agreements.
- Work through international standard setting bodies (e.g. Codex) and promotion of sustainable food systems in international fora and events (e.g. UN Summit on Food Systems in 2021).
- Environmental aspects taken into account when assessing requests for import tolerances for pesticide substances no longer approved in the EU
- Promotion of appropriate **labelling schemes** to ensure that food imported into the EU is gradually produced in a sustainable way.





Gli eventi di IFOAM Organics Europe per il 2023: Organic Food Conference e European Organic Congress



22 – 23 Maggio 2023
 Organic Food Conference –
 Sansepolcro (AR)

26 – 27 Settembre 2023
European Organic Congress (Cordoba, Spagna)





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Thank you for your attention!

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