

International cooperation

FiBL Switzerland facilitates the development of sustainable agriculture in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe in close cooperation with local partner organisations. FiBL conducts research on local and organic farming systems in long-term trials and offers expertise in market development.

For research and development projects, FiBL partners with the European Union (EU), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the umbrella organization of the organic agriculture movement IFOAM - Organics International, and other national and international institutions.

In addition to Switzerland, FiBL has offices in Germany, Austria and France, and it is in close collaboration with ÖMKi, the Hungarian Research Institute of Organic Agriculture. FiBL Europe in Brussels (Belgium) represents the national institutes on a European level.



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For nature-friendly agriculture

The Research Institute of Organic Agriculture FiBL is one of the world's leading institutes in the field of organic agriculture. FiBL's strengths lie in its interdisciplinary research, innovations developed jointly with farmers and the food industry, and rapid knowledge transfer. FiBL employs some 200 staff at its Swiss location.

Building soil

Fertile soils are the basis of organic agriculture. In field trials on farms, FiBL Switzerland examines the impacts of organic, biodynamic and conventional farming systems on soil quality. In addition FiBL researchers investigate the interconnections between land use and climate change.

Crop plants - healthy and diverse

FiBL Switzerland develops innovative methods to achieve rich biodiversity, top-quality foods and a productive organic farming sector. FiBL researchers breed resilient plant varieties and extend the range of varieties. They develop gentle crop protection measures and foster biodiversity on farms.

Promoting animal welfare

At FiBL Switzerland, veterinarians and agronomists develop animal husbandry, feeding, breeding, holistic herd management and preventive health measures that are appropriate to both the species and location. They also carry out research on remedies based on natural methods, as farmers can greatly contribute to the well-being of their livestock.

Political and public dialogue

FiBL Switzerland analyses the impact of agricultural policy measures on sustainability. FiBL researchers measure the quality of life and environment on farms. They ask consumers about their expectations with respect to organic products and improve organic food quality and safety in processing and the marketplace.

Extension in cooperation with partners

FiBL's advisory services ensure that researchers and trading partners listen to the needs of practitioners.
FiBL Switzerland supports knowledge transfer with the help of technical leaflets, courses, field visits and the "FiBLFilm" Youtube channel as well as in cooperation with Bio Suisse with the "Bioaktuell" magazine and the online platform "Bioaktuell.ch".





