







The New EU Organic Regulation and its implementation

Date

17 October 2018 // 09:30 - 18:00 and 18 October 2018 // 09:30 - 13:00

Place

Hotel Solun, http://www.hotelsolun.com/ Nikola Vapcarov str. No. 10 1000 Skopje Macedonia

Background

At the workshop, the new EU regulation on organic production and its differences to the current regulation will be introduced as well as the process for the elaboration of the so called delegating acts implementation rules. The participants will have the possibility to assess the impact for the farmers and certification bodies in Eastern Europe and get an understanding how they could raise their voice in the upcoming negotiations on the implementation rules. Invited are certification experts in the Westbalkan region and Ukraine.

Target group

Invited are experts familiar with the organic certification system and the related national and European legislation on organic from Eastern Europe (focus Westbalkan). The workshop will be in English, good English capacities are required.

The number of participants is limited (First Come, First Serve).

Registration deadline: 10 October 2018



Programme elements

- Overview on the new EU Regulation on organic production (REGULATION (EU) 2018/848). The
 main topics, procedures and schedule for completing the implementation rules (Implementing Acts
 and Delegated acts). Main changes to the current legislation
- Control system and group certification how is the new control system organized? What are the expected changes for control bodies located outside the EU? What are the potentials of group certification for Eastern and South Eastern Europe?
- Consequences for organic exports from third countries. What are the expected changes? What are
 the implications for the country recognition, for accreditation bodies, control bodies, exporters,
 farmers?
- How pesticide residues will be managed under the new EU regulation? What are the current policies? How is the EU going to tackle this topic?
- Production Rules: what kind of databases for seeds, livestock etc. are required? How could this be dealt with in the Westbalkan region? Can non-organic seeds still be used? What are the exceptions to the soil-bound production? What critical changes are expected for farmers?
- What are the impacts of the new regulation for the Westbalkan region? What are the possibilities for non-EU stakeholders to engage in the current discussion of the implementation rules?

Language

English

Lecturer



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Participation fee

free

Further information

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