

# ORGANIC FARM KNOWLEDGE PLATFORM

## PROMOTED BY TP ORGANICS

One of the initiatives of TP Organics is the [Organic Farm Knowledge Platform](#). The platform offers the opportunity for exchange of knowledge, skills and farming techniques as well as provides access to a wide range of useful tools for farmers.

The [Organic Farm Knowledge Platform](#) aims to increase productivity and quality in organic farming across Europe by connecting farmers, farm advisers and scientists, filling the gap between research and practice. The web platform was launched by TP Organics in October 2016 within the project *OK-Net Arable*. Based on the awareness that the complexity of organic farming requires farmers to have a very high level of knowledge and skills while the exchange of information on organic farming techniques remains limited, the project was designed and realized working together with a wide range of partners covering issues that they considered as priorities.

Today the *Organic Farm Knowledge* platform covers the following themes:

- [Crop production](#): arable crops; cropping systems; soil quality and fertility; nutrient management; pest and disease control.
- [Animal husbandry](#): pigs, broilers, laying hens; animal health; feeding and ration planning; handling of harvested feed.
- [Seeds and breeding](#): seed production; plant breeding and variety trials; seed quality; economics and regulation of organic seeds.

The [toolbox](#) of the platform contains ample resources for organic farmers and advisors, including factsheets, guides, online calculation tools and videos. Each tool comes with relevant background information and in different languages.

Currently, the core partners of the *Organic Farm Knowledge* platform are: [FiBL-Research Institute of Organic Agriculture](#) (hosting, management, and maintenance); [ICROFS-International Centre for Research in Organic Food Systems](#) (management and maintenance); [IFOAM Organics Europe - the European Group of the International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements](#) (coordination and promotion). Further partner organizations are: AIAB-Italian Association of Organic Agriculture; Bioland-German organization of organic producers; CIHEAM-Mediterranean Agronomic Institute of Bari; ORC-Organic Research Centre, UK; ITAB-Institute for Organic Food and Farming, France.

More organizations and projects are encouraged to join the platform.

The Organic Farm Knowledge platform is currently being developed by the TP Organics project [OK-Net EcoFeed](#), funded within the *Horizon 2020 research and innovation programme* and coordinated by IFOAM



EU. [TP Organics is the European Technology Platform](#) (ETP) for organic food & farming, uniting large companies, small & medium enterprises, researchers, farmers, consumers and civil society organizations active in the organic value chain from production, input & supply, to food processing, marketing and consumption.

Set up to strengthen the organic practices of the various European countries and associated countries in the EU Horizon 2020 program, the Organic Farm Knowledge platform is a very useful tool also for the actors of other countries in all continents that carry out practices of organic agriculture. The wide range of useful tools promoted by the platform is available on the site for all interested farmers.

### **To know more**

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