## THE WINNERS OF THE 2019 BALTIC SEA FARMER AWARD PROMOTED BY WWF

The 11 winners of the 2019 WWF Baltic Sea Farmer Award were presented on 25 September 2019 at a ceremony in Warsaw, Poland. Among the winners, Danish farmers Kristian and Maria Lundgaard-Karlshøj have been selected as the overall winner in the region.

With the Baltic Sea Farmer of the Year Award, the *World Wildlife Fund* WWF want to inspire farmers in the entire region to take active part in combating eutrophication. The winning farms range from a small organic crop farm to a 3,420-hectare conventional crop and livestock cooperative. The winning farmers are employing different measures at

the farm to reduce nutrient runoff, and they are pursuing new strategies for sustainable and future-proof agriculture.

The Baltic Sea Farmer of the Year Award competition selects national winners and one regional winner from eleven countries within the Baltic Sea catchment. Applications are received from farmers who are practicing both organic and conventional farming, as well as many different types of agriculture. The national winners, chosen by juries in each country, receive a prize of 1,000 Euros. From these national winners, an international jury selects a regional winner who receives a grand prize of 10,000 Euros.

Recognizing the importance of sustainable agriculture to reduce the threat of eutrophication of the Baltic Sea and the crucial role played by farmers to change the current situation, the WWF Award was launched in 2009 in collaboration with farmer's organizations around the Baltic Sea to highlight best practices and recognize farmers who are leading the way to reduce nutrient runoff on their farms.

In the brochures that present the <u>winning farmers of the 2019 and the previous editions of the Award</u> it is possible to find a wide and interesting information on the methods they have tried and successfully implemented to reduce nutrient runoff to the Baltic Sea.

The Baltic Sea Farmer of the Year Award is one of the initiatives of the <a href="https://www.www.europe.com/ww



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