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The new legislation on organic farming

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1. Organic farming policy



Organic production

- 4 % of EU agriculture area
- 1.2% of EU wine growing area
- Rapidly increasing market demand
- Imports from:
 - Third country list: ARG, AUS, NZ
 - import authorisations: Chile, South-Africa, US, rarely Croatia, TR, Tunisia, Uruguay
- To: DE,FI,FR,BE

Organic wine growing area in hectare, ESTAT

	1998	2001	2004	2006
BG	0	0	0	1
CZ	0	0	38	19
CY	0	0	15	30
EL	0	0	2.059	2.290
FR	4.874	8.156	12.557	14.193
HU	0	0	274	0
IT	10.705	21.807	20.867	25.876
LU	1	1	4	0
NL	0	0	0	15
PT	359	494	632	0
RO	0	0	0	73
SI	0	0	33	39
SK	0	0	12	53
UK	0	0	53	22
EU	15.939	30.458	36.544	42.611



European Action Plan 2004

- Political concept aims to implement concrete measures (21 Actions)
- Focus on:
 - **Recognition of public goods:** environment, animal welfare, job creation in rural areas (RD programmes, research)
 - **Development of the market,** meet consumer concerns (promotion campaign, EU-Logo)
 - **Improvement of legislation**





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2. Organic farming legislation



- Existing Regulation 2092/91 is replaced by:
- Council Regulation 834/2007
- Commission Regulation 889/2008 for production, labelling and control
- Commission Regulation 1235/2008 for imports
- From 1 January 2009
Logo: 1 July 2010





Council Regulation 834/2007

- Scope: aquaculture, seaweed, yeast
- Objectives and principles
- Flexibility – local production
- Labelling: > 95% organic – mandatory EU-logo, indication of origin
- Riskbased control (OFFC)
- Commission report to Council 2011
- **relevant for wine:**
 - Recital 7: processed food, including wine
 - Article 19: production rules for processed food
 - Article 21: criteria for substances in processing
 - Article 38: new implementing rules



Commission Regulation 889/2008

- Detailed plant and animal production rules, labelling, control
- Processing (Article 26):
 - good manufacturing practices
 - critical processing steps
 - operations and storing separated by time or place
- Use of substances in processing (Article 27(1)):
 - reference to Annex VIII - food additives and processing aids
 -can be used, „with the exception of wine“



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Labelling:



Vin issu de
raisins cultivés
en agriculture
biologique



NIR for organic wine

- **Amendment of Regulation 889/2008**

- **Indicative Timetable:**
 - **Exchange of information ongoing**
 - **Working document (with unit C.3)..... 5/2009**
 - **Discussion (SCOF, stakeholders) until mid 09**
 - **ISC and draft regulation..... 10/2009**
 - **To be adopted before end 2009**



Comitology

- **Council Regulation Article 37:**
 - **Regulatory committee**
 - **Qualified majority amongst 27 Member States**
 - **Published in Official Journal**





To do list:

- new IRs
 - Aquaculture
 - Wine (ORWINE Project)
- „Shopping list”
- Expert panel
- Promotion campaign
- New EU-Logo – public contest





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Information: <http://www.organic-farming.europa.eu>

