



***ORGANIKO - Revamping organic farming and its products in the context of climate change mitigation strategies - LIFE14 CCM/CY/000990***

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## ***2° Training Course: Organic farming, Certification and Control***

FEDERBIO

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9:30 – 13:30

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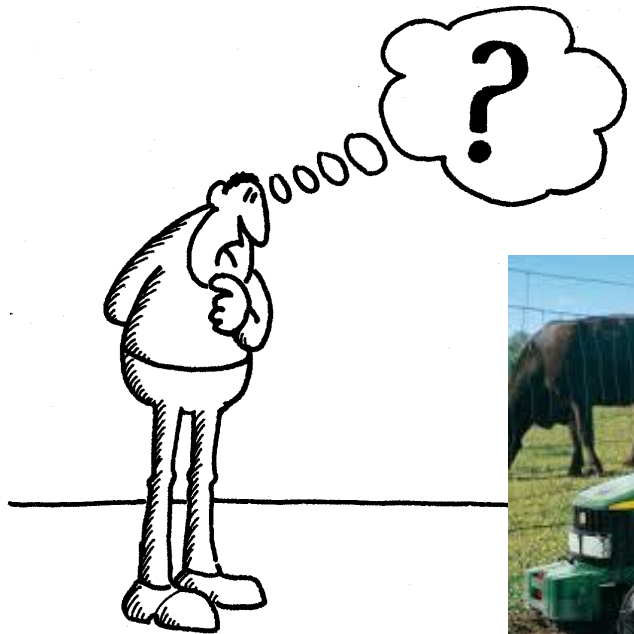




# THE CONTROL AND CERTIFICATION SYSTEM IN THE ORGANIC SECTOR

# THE CONTROL BODIES CERTIFY THE ORGANIC FARMING PROCEDURE.

## What does it mean?



## STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGED

### **MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY (Mipaaf)**

- Is the National Competent and Reference Authority
- Refers to the UE
- Authorizes the Control and Certification Bodies (OdC)
- Coordination and monitoring activity on the OdC and the controlled operators

### **REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS**

- Receive the notifications by the Operators
- They constitute the Register of the Companies
- Regional monitoring activity on the OdC

### **NAS (Division for the Prevention of the Adulteration of Food and Drink), ICQRF (Italian inspectorate for agricultural products and fraud prevention), ecc.**

- In addition to the monitoring activity by the Mipaaf and the Regional Governments, which involves the OdC and the organic companies, there is of course the fight against the frauds by the traditional bodies

## STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGED

### ACCREDIA

- Is the only national accreditation body (for managing systems, products, workers). It evaluates the technical know-how and the professional eligibility of the Control and Certification Bodies, ensuring the compliance to mandatory and voluntary rules, in order to give the strongest reliability to the released Certifications.
- It validates the certification body, while monitoring its behaviour

Among the different OdC and validation bodies there are **mutual recognition agreements**, to ensure the reliability of the released certifications, for example in different countries

## STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGED

### OPERATORS

- hanno gli obblighi e le responsabilità che competono a chi produce, trasforma, commercializza prodotti alimentari Have the commitments and responsibilities concerning producing, manufacturing and selling feeding products

### CONTROL AND CERTIFICATION BODIES

- Are private companies working in the organic sector thanks to the validation by ACCREDIA and the recognition by the Ministry of Agriculture (MiPAAF).
- Control and certification of the Operators who have sent the notification
- Provide to the Public Bodies data on the monitored companies and a detailed report about their activities

## MAIN ACTIVITIES OF THE CONTROL BODIES

- Initial evaluation of the company's eligibility
- Monitoring activity based on the «business risk»:
  - Document review
  - Inspections on the field or in the factories
  - Eventual analysis
- Releasing the certification documents and the labels approval
- Detection of the Non-eligible cases and the foreseen measures issue

# REG. CE 834/07 - Title V – Controls

## Article 27 – Control System

3. The control **nature and frequency** are determined by an **evaluation of the Business risk**, while respecting the requirements established in this regulation.

In any case, **every operator**, excepting the **wholesalers** who sell only pre-packaged products and those operators **selling directly to consumer or to the final user**, have a yearly visit by the Control Body [...]



## **LOW RISK COMPANIES**

(least one inspection and 5% of sampled companies)

## **MEDIUM RISK COMPANIES**

(at least two inspections and 15% of sampled companies)

## **HIGH RISK COMPANIES**

(at least three inspections and 100% of sampled companies)

## **REINFORCED CONTROL COMPANIES**



**FEDERBIO ETHICAL CODE**  
*I Attachment*

**CRITERIA FOR SELECTION,  
QUALIFICATION AND UPDATING OF  
THE INSPECTING STAFF**

**The inspections visits are assigned to qualified inspectors, having specific requirements: proper qualification, basic training, constant updating and knowledge**

In 2016 Suolo e Salute carried out, at national level, over **22.000 total inspections** of which 85% of ordinary and 15% of additional and starting visits.

The total inspections have been 85% **announced visits** and 15% **not-announced.**



# CERTIFICATION DOCUMENTS MANAGEMENT

- 1. Supporting document**
- 2. Certificate of compliance**
- 3. Declaration of compliance**
- 4. Labelling of the organic products**

NOT RESPECTING THE RULE BRINGS TO THE APPLICATION OF MEASURES AGAINST THE COMPANY DEPENDING ON THE DEPTH OF ITS VERIFIED NON-COMPLIANCE (Ministry Decree 20<sup>th</sup> of December 2013)

**FORMAL NOTICE**

**PREVENTIVE ELIMINATION OF ONE OR MORE PRODUCTS**

**ELIMINATION OF THE DESIGNATION OF ONE OR MORE PRODUCTS**

**BRINGING THE CROPPING SOIL BACK TO CONVERSION**

**INTERRUPTION FOR A DEFINED PERIOD (f.e. 6 OR 12 MONTHS)**

**BANISHMENT FROM THE CONTROL SYSTEM**

# THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION

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