



“Organic Agriculture in Albania; some achievements and problems for solution”

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.1.PODUCTION

- . BioAdria association is the biggest association in Albania. More than 300 producer are memeber of **BioAdria** association. Some private people out BioAdria are ingaged in organic agricultore movement too.. They produce grape and wine, medicinal plants, olive oil,fruits ,chestnuts, ect.**

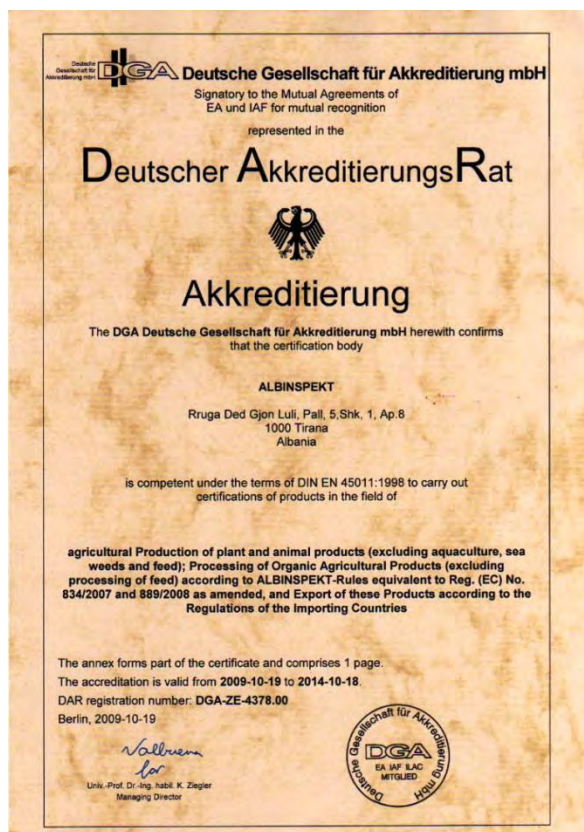
2. ORGANIC AGRICULTURE LAW. is in power (since 2004)

3. COMPETENT BODY (CB) by Ministry of Agriculture is engaged with implementation in the practice of the national politics. The base for that is document “Action plan of Organic agriculture “ approved from Government since year , 2007, (with the support of IAM, Bari Italy)

4.CERTIFICATION

- **“Albinspekt”** is certification body .It is accredited from Albanian Government and from some European certification bodies.Albinspekt certifies in Kosova too.**Albinspekt** certified another standards too as ISO, Global GAP,ect. Are active ICEA(Italy),Bioinspecta (SZ)

Albanian certification body "Albinspekt"



4.DIVERSIFICATION OF PRODUCTION AND LOGOS

- *Albania has a private logo for organic products, has two regional logos for local and typical products(North and South products),*

Diversification of logos



www.prodhime-jugu.org

Not yet National
Bio-Logo !!!

5.ON FARM RESEARCH AND EXTENSION

Institute for Organic Agriculture engaged on farm research and extension in organic agriculture.

Public extension service train the farmers.Institute this year has published a package of brochures and leaflets about organic production for every crops :publications and trainings of public extension service network dor the first time this year is paied from Ministry of Agriculture.

Photo from on research



Prognosis and warning system in plant protection



5. On farm research



Field test with resistant and autochthone cultivars

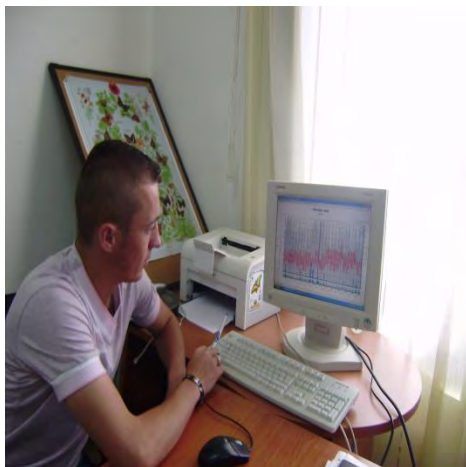
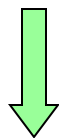


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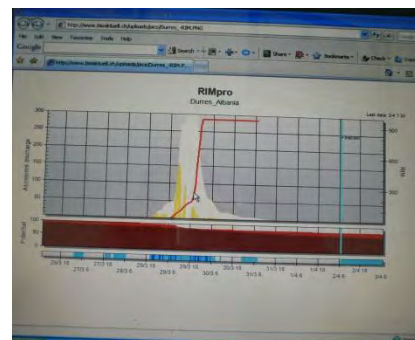
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Weather
station



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Spore trap



Rimpro Program



Control
Ofwinter spores
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The main insect pest under the monitoring



Monitoring points



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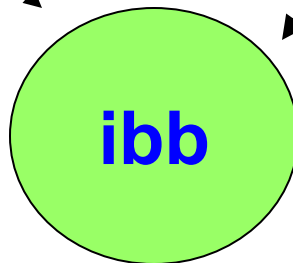
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Monitoring points



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T.Rrushit (Shenvlash)



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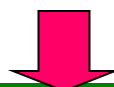
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Collection of the data from monitoring points

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Monitoring points								



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contact in the meetings with experts and farmers

6.MARKETING

- Local market : are tree Bio- shops in Tirana and Durres
- Export: until now Albania export ;Fresh herbs,olive oil,medicinal plants,mashrooms, and in somecases chinese cabbage.

Albania has a private logo for organic products, has two regional logos for local and typical products(**North and South products**),

Marketing



Fresh herbs for export



Bio-shop



Organic - shop



Bio-shop



Bio-shop



BioFach , Germany



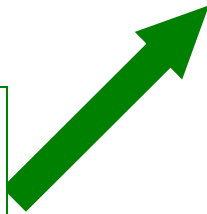
Olive oil export



Olive oil export, 2011



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7. SUBSIDISES

Since the year 2008 Government support the farmers with subsidize

This year subsidize quota was 550 Euro for each certified farmer.

What need to do in order to improve the actual situation ?

- **1.PODUCTION**

Increasing of number of the farmers and diversification of production. A weak point is lack of animal products (meat, cheese, , eggs, honey ect)

This year subsidise scheme has functioned not so good. Need to organize cooperatives of producers

- **2.ORGANIC AGRICULTURE LAW.**

The old law(2004) need to improve. The draft is prepare but we are lossing the time for final version and to send it in Parliament as soon sa posaible.

3. COMPETENT BODY

Has fonctio not well. It has not analized the situation of implmentation of action plan approved from Goverment. It must be more activ-

- **4.CERTIFICATION**
- *Need to accredit new certification bodies in order to avoid the monopoles. Actual certification body need support from the Government or frmdoners because the number of farmers are small and low prices*

4.DIVERSIFICATION OF PRODUCTION AND LOGOS

Need to improve the standarts and rules for managing of the regional and local logos and organization of produvtion of typical and GI products.Need tomor promovation,consumer education and new selling points

- **5.ON FARM RESEARCH AND EXTENSION**
- ***More support from Government ,doners and projects in order to solve the difficulties that farmers have in the practice. (plant nutrition,plant protectionect)***
- ***Increase of staff capacities too.***

- **6.MARKETING**

Need more selling points.

**The performance of
shops,packeging,lelabelling and logo
managing need more support**

Export need to encrease the quantity.

**Small farmers need to organize the
marketing cooperatives, need construction
of collection points,fresh rooms ect**

**Consumer education is another week point
too.**

7.SUBSIDISE

Ministry of Agriculture is in discussion to increase the quota of subsidise for bio-farmers from 550 Euro to 1000 Euro for each farmer.

Some plant production products perhaps Ministry will pay 50 % of the cost. (for example in olive production)

Animal production will be subsidise better than today

- *THANK
YOU
SUBOTICA!*