Organic Agriculture in Europe

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Yearbook 'The World of Organic Agriculture'

- 10th edition of 'The World of Organic Agriculture', published by IFOAM and FiBL
- Funded by ITC, SECO and BioFach
- With contributions from more than 40 authors
- Contents:
  - Results of the global organic survey
  - Organic agriculture in the geographical regions, special focus on Latin America
  - Chapters on the global market, standards and legislation, crops, food security, other issues
Key data

- 32.2 million hectares of agricultural land are managed organically
- This is an increase of 1.5 million hectares compared to the previous year
- Growth happened in Latin America, Africa and Europe; less organic land was reported for Oceania and in Asia
- More than one third of the world’s organic land is in Oceania, followed by Europe (24%) and Latin America (20%)
- 12 million hectares are in Australia, followed by Argentina (2.8 million hectares) and Brazil (1.8 mio hectares)
- Almost 30% of the agricultural land in Liechtenstein are organic, followed by Austria (13.4%) and Switzerland (11%)
- 1.2 million organic producers were recorded
Organically managed land by geographical region 2007

- Oceania: 37%
- Europe: 24%
- Latin America: 20%
- Asia: 9%
- North America: 7%
- Africa: 3%
Development of the organic and certified in-conversion land in Europe 1985-2007

Source: FiBL, Institute of Rural Sciences/Université d'Aberystwyth et ZMP
Organic Agriculture in Europe 2007

Europe
• 7.8 million hectares
• 1.9 % of the agricultural land
• 213‘000 producers

European Union
• 7.2 million hectares
• 3.9 % of the agricultural land
• 170‘000 producers
The five countries with most organic land
2007

Argentina, US and Uruguay: Only fully converted areas

Million Hectares

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The ten countries with the highest shares of organic land

- Liechtenstein: 29.7%
- Austria: 13.4%
- Switzerland: 11.0%
- Latvia: 9.8%
- Italy: 9.1%
The five European countries with the highest increase of organic land 2006-2007

- Spain: +61,932 hectares
- Poland: +57,869 hectares
- UK: +55,629 hectares
- Germany: +39,797 hectares
- Czech Republic: +31,355 hectares
The five European countries with the largest numbers of organic producers 2007

- Italy: 43,159
- Greece: 23,769
- Austria: 18,226
- Germany: 18,703
- Spain: 18,226
The World of Organic Agriculture 2009

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The Global Organic Survey 2009

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