

APPLICATION FOR THE BEST ORGANIC FARMER (FEMALE AND MALE)

Please complete your submission for the Organic Awards 2024 in this form. All sections must be answered, and all questions should be addressed. In the instance that an applicant cannot provide an answer to a question, reasons must be provided in the relevant section. It is strongly advised to read the Organic Awards 2024¹ practical guide before completing this application. IFOAM Organics Europe/International's principles² of organic production may also be useful for filling in the application.

Contact Information		
Name of the applying entity/organization (if applicable):		
Last name, first name of contact person for this application:		
Street and street number:	City:	Zip code:
Country:		
Email address:	Phone number:	
VAT:		
Organic certification number:		

General Information
What is your farm size? (ha)
What type of farm do you have? (Plant production, livestock production, both, etc.)
If you answered plant production, how many plant varieties are there on your farm?
If you answered livestock production, how many animals are there on your farm?
How long have you been organic certified? (years)
How many employees does the farm have? How many of them are seasonal?
Are you part of a cooperative, producer group, bio-district?

Organic award you are applying for	
Organic farmer	
Female	Male
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

¹ https://agriculture.ec.europa.eu/farming/organic-farming/organic-action-plan/eu-organic-awards_en

² <https://www.ifoam.bio/why-organic/shaping-agriculture/four-principles-organic>

Guiding questions (yes/no – or check if applicable)	
Through your farming activities, are you increasing soil fertility, biodiversity, and the health of ecosystem?	YES NO
Could the mechanisms and tools used on your farm to improve sustainability be replicated and showcased as best practices in other parts of the EU?	YES NO
Have you established significant, socially, and ecologically just partnerships with the other actors of the food supply chain?	YES NO
Does your farming system include effective mechanisms to ensure environmental, social, and economic sustainability in a long-term perspective?	YES NO
Have you implemented innovative mechanisms in your farming system to improve productivity, environmental quality, and social fairness?	YES NO

Open end questions

*** Please explain in max 400 characters per question the characteristics of your farming project**

How has your project developed an excellent initiative producing real added value for organic production?

<p style="text-align: center;">How innovative is your project?</p> <p>Describe your new approaches, new organizational methods, or the development of new (or significantly) improved results for organics, including reference to the above questions.</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">How is your project meeting the three sustainability (environmental, social, economic) dimensions?</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">What is the impact of the project?</p>

<p style="text-align: center;">How could your project be transferred and replicated elsewhere in the EU?</p>

Additional resources:

- Please include here any relevant links about your project:
- Please attach here any relevant documents (such as presentation brochures or presentations of your farm)
- Please attach here any visual materials of your farm (photo/video)

IMPORTANT: These additional resources will be used only if your application will be shortlisted in the top three.