

# ASSOCIATION FOR ORGANIC AGRICULTURE NORTHEAST SLOVENIA (AOANS)



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# ORGANIC FARMING IN SLOVENIA 2010

2.218 organic farms (2,9 % of all Slovenian farms)

30.696 hectares (6,5 % of all agricultural land in Slovenia)



# AOANS

- Established in 1997;
- Non-profit organization;
- About a hundred members;
- Founding member of the Union of associations of organic farmers in Slovenia, (comprised of seven societies);



# THE MAIN PURPOSE OF THE OPERATION OF ASSOCIATION

- The professional integration of people working towards the conservation of nature and the environment and the production of healthy and safe food.



# Education of members I.

- The organization of professional excursion around Slovenia and to foreign countries, various lectures, workshops, seminars, working meetings at the farm, etc.



# Education of members II.

Confirmed AOANS by the Ministry of Agriculture:

- Season 2008/2009 organized seven one-day lectures and three professional excursions;
- Season 2009/2010 we organized four one – day lectures, one workshop processing of milk and two excursions;
- Season 2010/2011 we organized two one – day lectures, one workshop and two excursions;

# AOANS organization of views of organic farms

for the interested public (tourists, children and adolescents and students);



# Help to organical farmers in marketing of organic foodstuffs

## Management of environmental market in Maribor;





# Working with (eco) schools and little gartners



# Events I.

- Traditional **TWO-DAY HOLIDAY** of organic farms; birthday of organic market in Maribor,...



## Events II.

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**15. Alpe Jadran Biosimpozij -  
15 -19/11 2011**

**Social entrepreneurship and organic  
farming**

Faculty of Agriculture and Life Sciences  
AOANS are co-organizers

# Sections I.

- **BIO PARTY SERVICE AND CONCERNS** for the promotion of organic foods



# Sections I.

- **POHORJE BEEF**

**Pohorje and the Kozjak Hills** its natural ecological conditions allow breeding of dairy cows for meat brand **Pohorje beef**.



# Instead of the end

AOANS members have experience at work in EU projects:

- PHARE CBC 1997 Biological production in agriculture and forestry - a contribution to the conservation of the countryside;
- PHARE CBC SMALL PROJECT FUND 1999 – FOOD PROCESSING AND MARKETING OF ORGANIC FOOD PRODUCT;
- FAO, TCP/MNE/3201 (Agreement No \_LOA708/008);
- Bio pleasure 2009 (Bio Day in Maribor, Day with controller organic farming,...);
- ...

# AOANS - LdV “Organic.Balkanet”

- AOANS will participate as a pilot trials designer;
- AOANS is an "User" for Organic.Balkanet project (new informations and educations for our members on organic farming).



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# Pilot Training Session for advisors in Slovenia

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# Pilot Training Session for advisors in Slovenia

Implemented in June/July 2011 in Maribor

Four participants – advisors/trainers

Organizer UM Faculty of Agriculture and Life Sciences



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# Pilot Training Session for advisors in Slovenia

## Selection of 4 advisors/trainers,

who are involved in organic farming, are agronomists with at least 2 years experiences/practises and are able to give courses:

Mrs. Tatjana Pevec,  
Mrs. Martina Ploj,  
Mrs. Sabina Germšek,  
Mr. Matjaž Turinek



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# Pilot Training Session for advisors in Slovenia

The validation training seminars were including:

- preparing on face to face training by them self three weeks before workshop,
- the use of Organic-Balkanet.eu portals and other useful links on the workshop,
- transfer of information on creating courses for farmers on the workshop,
- a joint workshop preparation of such sessions, with progressive resolution of issues



# Pilot Training Session for advisors in Slovenia

## Responses to the workshop:

Well-designed and implemented training, consolidation of previously acquired knowledge,  
much new knowledge, new ideas for future work,  
educational, attractive method of acquiring knowledge is very useful discussions,  
lively and intense, and hard work,  
much new information on various topics,  
participants want more of such training, they are much more useful and interesting from traditional lectures,  
professional and affordable speakers,  
well presented application portal Organik Balkanet,  
very usefull and interesting portal with lots of useful information,



Lifelong Learning Programme



Education and Culture DG

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The courses prepared for farmers are:

- Seed production on Organic farms ( dipl.ing. Martina Ploj)
- Organic crops; Perennial grassland (mag. Tatjana Pevec)
- Organic principles; Agro-Environmental Impact Assessment and farm management ( dr. Matjaž Turinek)
- Processing of organic fruit and grapes ( Mrs. Sabina Germšek)



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# Pilot Training Session for advisors in Slovenia

Next step

- imparting knowledge to consumers / organic farmers like theoretical and practical knowledge implemented on 11.7.2011 in Pivola, Slovenia:

Organic production of Cereals (with an emphasis on spelt)



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# The farmers' seminar in Slovenia

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# The farmers' seminar in Slovenia

## ORGANIC PRODUCTION OF CEREALS (with an emphasis on spelt)

Monday, 11/July/2011

Thirty nine participiens



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# The farmers' seminar in Slovenia

## Goals:

- organic farmers aware of the technology of production of cereals/spelt, the economics of production, contract production, etc.
- to encourage organic farmers to increase production of cereals, specially spelt



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# Organizer UM and AOANS



First the participants visited experimental fields: trials with spelled (fertilization, crop density) and organic varieties of winter cereals\*

\*Users needs/questionnaire of National Workshop January 2011 demonstrated the need for practical training OA farmers





Университет «Валдай» и Академия «Академия» в области науки и технологий  
Академия «Академия» в области науки и технологий

**ЭКОЛОГИЧЕСКАЯ ПРОГРАММА**  
10-11 классы, 2010-2011 учебный год

Данные взяты из: «Академия» в области науки и технологий  
1. Академия «Академия» в области науки и технологий  
2. Академия «Академия» в области науки и технологий  
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4. Академия «Академия» в области науки и технологий

**21. КОЭФФИЦИЕНТ ЭКОЛОГИЧЕСКОГО**  
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20. Академия «Академия» в области науки и технологий	0,0



# Lecture

## Followed by theme:

- **Hill and organic production of cereals** (dr. Martina Bavec)
- **Usability, nutritional value and organic production techniques specific spelt** (prof. dr. Bavec Franc)
- **Results field trial of wheat spelled, 2008-2010, and environmental aspects of production** (Dr. Matjaz Turinek)
- **Cost of production spelt** (dr. Karmen Pažek and prof. dr. Črt Rozman)
- **Possibility of contractual production** for organic production of cereals increased consumers (representative Cereals Ljubljana and other interested customers)
- **Discussion** (chaired by prof. dr. F. Bavec).

# Discussion

Participants in the discussion up to discuss the growing cost of production spelt and option to sell and the benefits of the contract of sale organic spelt.



# Completion



In Slovenia we import a lot of organic cereals, general spelt, which is highly appreciated by consumers.

With the farmers seminar Organic production of cereals held in the project Organic.Balkanet we encourage farmers to produce organic cereals.