

Technology Platform

# The Vision 2014 to 2020 Nine Years After

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# Organic agriculture – an attractive learning and exercising field

- Organic has multi-actor thinking and especially acting in its 'DNA'.
- 'Reduced to the max' is the pragmatic approach taken by the scientific community around organic farm systems.
- 'Innovation on farms first' is the result of scarce resources.
- Reliable concepts on how to reduce trade-off in agriculture and food consumption are still not yet visible. Organic is at least half-way there.



### The 2007 vision

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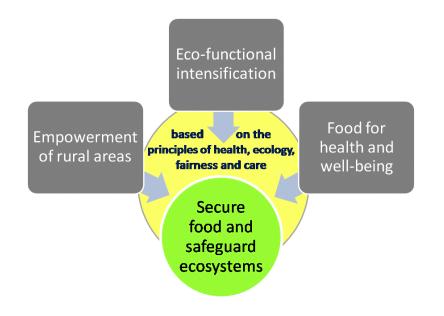
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Niggli et al., 2007







From Life Cycle Assessment (LCA) to Sustainability Assessment.

# **Altered priorities?**

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Environmental and economic performance of **multi-objective** system approaches versus **targeted** agrienvironmental schemes.

> Quantified data for **true cost** accounting.

Marginal utility productivity – sustainability.

#### Sufficiency.

Consumers and farmers for animal welfare.

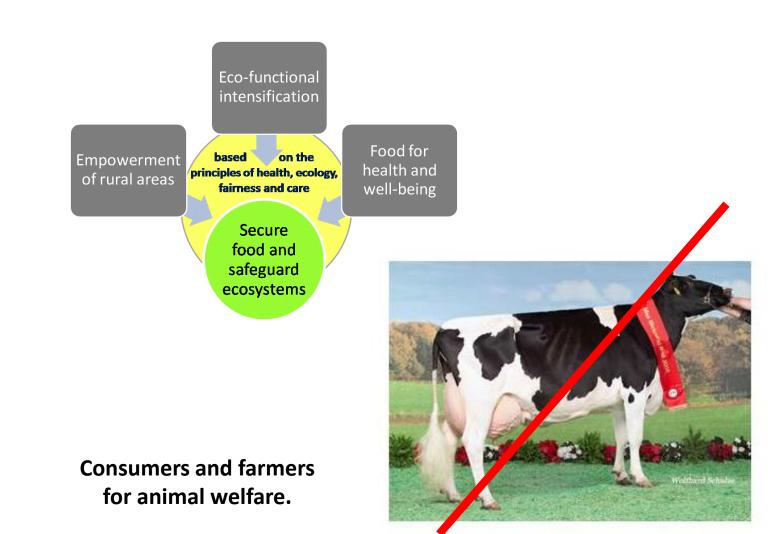
The power of ICT in

farmers-consumers

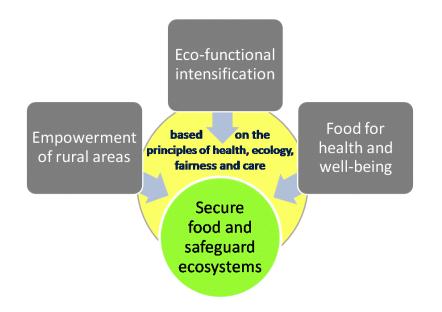
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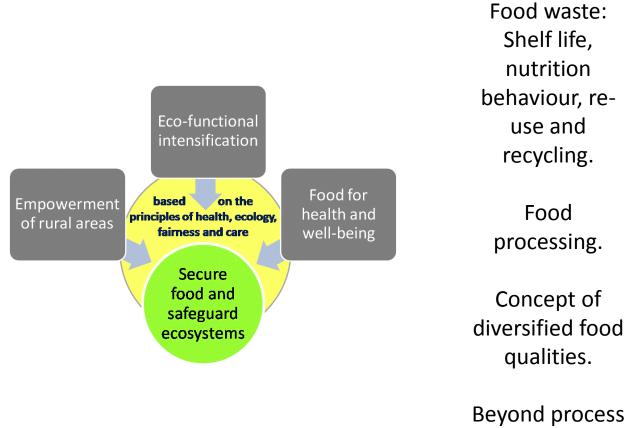
Innovation pathways.



Combined agro-ecological strategies like: Functional biodiversity, bio-control and phyto-therapy Soil fertility building, soil biota management and improved inputs from recycling. Assessing the science driven technology leaps and bounds.







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