

Organic Agricultural Knowledge and Innovation System (AKIS) in France

Problem

The organic AKIS in France needs to deconstruct silos to better share knowledge among public and private actors and advise the whole value chain from production to market, retail, and processing (Figure 1).

Solution

This practice abstract lists AKIS actors that provide support with funding and administrative help, plant protection strategies, regulation advice, and more.

Applicability box

Theme

Training, technical & marketing support, and administrative assistance for organic farming

Keywords

Organic advisory services, AKIS, organic training

Context

France

Benefits

Farmers can reach out to trusted providers of organic advisory services.

Practical recommendations

This practice abstract lists the types of AKIS actors with linked examples that farmers can turn to, based on the results of a French AKIS workshop evaluating availability, competences, and affordability of organic advisory services.

1. **Agricultural technical institutes:** Arvalis, Terres Inovia, GAB, FNAB, ITAB, IFV
2. **Chambers of Agriculture**
3. **Producer groups with a facilitator**
4. **Regional experimentation platforms:** GRAB
5. **Advisors and independent consultant:** CETA
6. **Digital platform:** Triple Performance, GECCO, R&D Agri, agroecologie.org
7. **Social media**
8. **Start up or other independent organisation:** Ver de terre production, fermes d'avenir, Solagro
9. **Public and government players:** Agence Bio, Community of municipalities
10. **Cooperatives and producer groups**
11. **French agricultural research institute:** INRAe
12. **The agricultural education system**
13. **Certification bodies:** INAO, Ecocert
14. **Specialised press, information bulletins**
15. **Fellow farmer**



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Further information

Further reading

- [OrganicTargets4EU Deliverable 5.2 Analysis of barriers of conversion and recommendations for strengthening organic advisory services and capacity building](#)
- [France–Organic Sector AKIS Factsheet](#)
- [ITAB, “Synergies bio & non bio” for knowledge improvement support for organic farming \(FR\)](#)

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