

How to apply?



Applicants from all EU Member States apart from Greece (and including Turkey, Croatia and FYROM), are eligible to apply for a Comenius/Grundtvig In-service training Grant covering all travelling, accommodation and participation expenses.

The deadline for applying to your National Agency of the Lifelong Learning Programme for a Grant is 14th of January 2011!



Visit www.cerorganic.eu/tft.htm and find out how you can apply!

CerOrganic Project



CerOrganic is a two year Leonardo da Vinci Multilateral Project financed by the European Commission that aims to develop and test a quality assurance procedure for the vocational education/training of agricultural advisors/trainers in Organic Agriculture, based on the European Quality Assurance Reference Framework (EQARF).

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Quality-Certified
Training of Trainers on
Organic Agriculture

***A school for Potential
Trainers of Organic
Farmers***

**Grant Application Deadline
14 January 2011**



22-29 May 2011

Mediterranean Agronomic
Institute of Chania (MAICH)
Crete, Greece

Why?

Organic Agriculture (OA) as a rural development strategy addresses the need for sustainable growth while meeting consumer demand for increased food quality and safety.

Many EU countries have OA training initiatives, but the training is based on different quality standards.



The innovative CerOrganic quality-certified training is based on the European Quality Assurance Reference Framework (EQARF) and focuses on the education/training of agricultural professionals, combining traditional teaching methods with the adoption of ICT methods and online teaching resources.

Who can apply?

The CerOrganic training, approved by the European Commission, includes presentations & practical sessions (hands-on labs) and aims to guide participants to develop and organise training seminars for groups of farmers with particular professional needs in OA topics.

The CerOrganic training addresses all professionals with a university degree in Agriculture, such as:

- Agricultural advisors/ trainers
- Career officers on agricultural topics
- Certification bodies
- Managers of vocational education & training centers on agricultural topics
- Educational and administrative staff of agricultural schools
- Agriculture extension workers or any young/unemployed agronomist.



A Quality-Certified Training of Trainers on OA

The blended course consists of 7 days of lectures with European experts in the field of OA, hands-on activities & field trips hosted by the Mediterranean Agromic Institute of Chania in Crete, but also self-paced online activities preceding and following the 7 days of training in Chania.

Trainers:

- Prof. Dr. Ulrich Köpke
- Prof. Dr. László Radics
- Dr. C. Vasilikiotis
- Prof. E. Sfakiotakis
- Prof. Dr. Borivoj Sarapatka
- Prof. Zita Szalai

Topics include:

- Principles, Methods & Practices in OA
- Challenges and prospects in retraining of OA
- Legislation/ Certification/Conversion
- Agrobiodiversity & Crop Protection
- Biological Control of Pests
- Farm Management
- Marketing of OA products
- Training methods to approach & advise farmers
- Use of digital teaching resources