APPLICATION FOR THE BEST ORGANIC FARMER (FEMALE AND MALE)

Please complete your submission for the Organic Awards 2025 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 2025 practical guide and all other related information on the <u>Awards website</u> before completing this application. IFOAM Organics Europe/International's principles¹ of organic production may also be useful for filling in the application.

This form can be submitted as of 11.2.2025. Applications must be submitted by 23:59:59 (CEST) on 27.4.2025, using the online form available at:

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

Only applications submitted online will be considered.

Name of the applying entity/organization (if applicable):

Last name, first name of contact person for this application:

Contact Information

Street and street number:		City:	zip code:
Country:			
Email address:	Phone numb	er:	
VAT:	-		
Organic certification number:			
General Information			
What is your farm size? (ha)			
What type of farm do you have?	(Plant production, livestock pro	oduction, b	oth, etc.)
If you answered plant production	, how many plant varieties are	there on y	our farm?
If you answered livestock produc	tion, how many animals are the	ere on you	r farm?
How long have you been organic	certified? (years)		

Are you part of a cooperative, producer group, bio-district?

How many employees does the farm have? How many of them are seasonal?

¹ https://www.ifoam.bio/why-organic/shaping-agriculture/four-principles-organic

Organic award you are applying for				
Organic farmer				
	Female	Male		

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?

How innovative is your project?

Describe your new approaches, new organizational methods, or the development of new (or significantly) improved results for organics, including reference to the above questions.

How is your project meeting the three sustainability (environmental, social, economic) dimensions?

What is the impact of the project?					

How could your project be transferred and replicated elsewhere in the EU?

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.

Data storage:

Should you not be awarded this year and want to re-apply in the following years, we suggest you save the answers you provided in this form for future applications.