



Welcome to the

SOLMACC socio-economic roundtable

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1. SOLMACC

- Strategies for **O**rganic- and **L**ow-input-farming to **M**itigate and **A**dapt to **C**limate **C**hange
- PROJECT LOCATION: DE, IT, SE, Brussels
- DURATION: Start: 01/09/2013 - End: 30/09/2018
- PROJECT'S IMPLEMENTORS: IFOAM EU Group, BE; Ekologiska Lantbrukarna, SE; AIAB, IT; Bioland Beratung GmbH, DE; FiBL, DE





BACKGROUND & CONTEXT

Climate change is a major global challenge and also impacts seriously on farmers: global warming increases the risks for floods and droughts

Farming is a main contributor to the cause of climate change:

- Greenhouse gas emissions from agriculture in the EU account for at least 10% of total GHG emissions (2009)
- At the same time agriculture is an economic sector that is extremely vulnerable to the consequences of climate change

→ Agriculture will have to face serious challenges both in terms of climate change mitigation and adaptation

MAIN ACTIVITIES



- Setting up a **demonstration farm network** with 12 organic farms in DE, IT and SE
- Training the farmers to **integrate 4 optimised climate-friendly practices into their farming management system** and demonstrating the practices to local farmers and stakeholders:
 - optimised on-farm nutrient recycling
 - optimised crop rotations with legume-grass
 - optimised tillage system
 - Agroforestry
- **Monitoring the impact** of the newly introduced practices on climate change mitigation and adaptation, economic viability and technical feasibility
- **Communicating and disseminating** project achievements to relevant stakeholders of the food system and policy makers and **contributing to policy changes of relevant EU policies**

SOLMACC demonstration farms





About SOLMACC

SOLMACC is a LIFE-co-funded project that runs from 2013 to 2018. Its ambition is to demonstrate that by applying optimised farming practices organic farming can be climate-friendly. 12 demonstration farms are therefore adjusting their farming techniques under the close supervision and monitoring of agricultural scientists. Read more about the SOLMACC objectives

Recent news



SOLMACC newsletter #1 The first newsletter, sent out to recipients all over Europe, is now Read More... Posted on 08/26/2014

Project website: www.solmacc.eu in four languages

2. Aims of the roundtable



Assumption:

- Wider adoption of climate-friendly farming practices depends on socio-economic aspects/economic gains

Aims:

- Discuss/develop strategies to increase the benefits of climate-friendly farming practices
 - Results will feed into a brochure for stakeholder

Setting:

- World Café Method: 3 tables
 - Policy context
 - Labels, value chain
 - Communication

3. Programme for the day



11.15-13.00 – Morning session:

- Importance of climate friendly farming, Political background –
Presentation: Eric Gall, IFOAM EU
- Climate friendly practices on SOLMACC farms, Socio-economic impact of
the climate friendly practices
Presentation: Lin Bautze & Andreas Gattinger, FiBL

13.00 – Lunch break

14.00-15.45 – World café

15.45-16.00 – Break

16.00-17.00 – Conclusions

4. Introduction – getting to know each other



- Please shortly introduce yourself (name, organisation, background)