

# APPLICATION FOR THE 2022 EU ORGANIC AWARDS

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## APPLICATION FOR THE BEST ORGANIC BIODISTRICT

**The submission of this form will only be possible from 25 March 2022.**

**Applications must be submitted by 8 June 2022, 23:59:59 CEST at the latest**

**through the online application form available on:**

**[https://ec.europa.eu/info/food-farming-fisheries/farming/organic-farming/organic-actionplan/eu-organic-awards\\_en](https://ec.europa.eu/info/food-farming-fisheries/farming/organic-farming/organic-actionplan/eu-organic-awards_en)**

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### 2 Personal Data

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personal data by the Union institutions, bodies, offices and agencies and on the free movement of such data (OJ L 295, 21.11.2018, p. 39). Unless stated otherwise, your personal data, including your replies and any other information necessary for assessing your application in accordance with the contest rules, will be processed by the European Committee of the Regions solely for the purpose(s) laid down in the applicable privacy statement.

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\* Do you consent to the processing, by the European Committee of the Regions and in accordance with the applicable privacy statement, of all personal data you will provide in the context of the contest "2022 Organic Awards"?

- Yes  
 No

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- Yes  
 No

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**\* 3 Contact Information**

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

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

\* Street and street number:

\* Country, City, Zip code:

\* Email address:

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**\* 4 Eligibility Criteria for Best Organic Biodistrict**

*(if the box(es) is(are) not ticked, message "Please consider the eligibility criteria for the awards. Only applications for the EU Organic Awards that meet the eligibility criteria will be considered")*

- You confirm that the biodistrict involve one or more municipalities
- You confirm that different actors belonging to an organic agriculture-based food system are associated (organic farmers, processors, input providers, other public and private organization, civil society organizations)
- You confirm that the biodistrict association is legally recognized

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**5 Questions**

**How has your project developed an excellent initiative producing real added value for organic production and consumption?**

\* Are specific sustainable development objectives clearly defined in the Biodistrict Association Statute?

- Yes
- No

\* Does the Biodistrict Association implement activities directly supporting the Organic districts (Credit, Education, Research, etc.)?

- Yes
- No

\* Is the biodistrict using the promotion of local organic quality products as a major tourist attraction?

- Yes

No

\* Please explain in max 400 characters how your project produces real added value for organic production and consumption, including reference to the above questions?

*400 character(s) maximum*

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**How innovative is your project?**

\* Has the Biodistrict developed, invested or taken part in innovative projects related to the promotion of organic products and/or production?

Yes

No

\* Please explain in max 400 characters your new approaches, new organizational methods, or the development of new (or significantly) improved results for organics, with reference to the above questions.

*400 character(s) maximum*

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**How is your project meeting each of the three sustainability (environmental, social, economic) dimensions and how does it assess its sustainability in a long-term perspective?**

\* Does the Biodistrict association support organic short food chain initiatives?

Yes

No

\* Please explain in max 400 characters how your project meets each of the three sustainability criteria, including reference to the above questions.

*400 character(s) maximum*

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

\* Is the Biodistrict cooperating with other Biodistricts in the promotion of organic products and/or production?

Yes

No

\* Could the implemented projects and set targets be used on a large scale and by other Biodistricts?

Yes

No

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*400 character(s) maximum*

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\* Please explain in max 1000 characters what is the impact of the project?

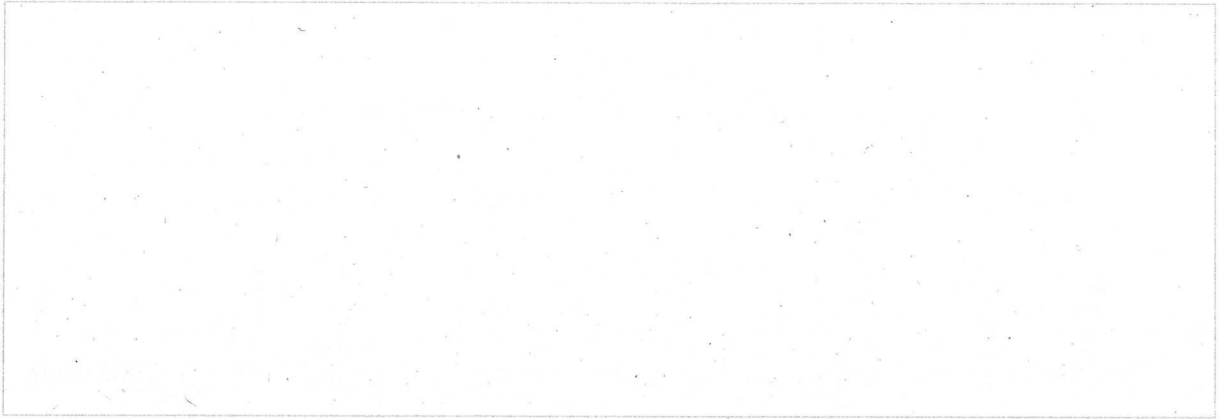
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**6 General Information**

\* Link to the official registration of the Biodistrict association

Any other useful information on your project (e.g. relevant links, relevant documents such as presentation brochures, visual materials, if possible in English)



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**\* 7 Declaration of honour**

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 No

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(if the box(es) is(are) not ticked, message "Please consider the eligibility criteria for the awards. Only applications for the EU Organic Awards that meet the eligibility criteria will be considered")

- You confirm being a NUTS2 region.  
 You do not confirm being a NUTS2 region.

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**5 Questions**

**How has your project developed an excellent initiative producing real added value for organic production and consumption?**

\* What is the percentage of regional subsidies to organic farming in the overall regional budget for agriculture?

*Only values of at most 100 are allowed*

 %

\* Is the region assessing the impact of Green Public Procurement on organic farmland?

- Yes  
 No

\* Is organics a regional development priority and does the region have a strategy for the development of organics?

- Yes  
 No

\* Please explain in max 400 characters how your project produces real added value for organic production and consumption, including reference to the above questions?

*400 character(s) maximum*

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**How innovative is your project?**

\* Has the region developed, invested or taken part in innovative projects related to the promotion of organic products and/or production?

- Yes
- No

\* Does the region use specific guidelines or methodologies to assess the overall sustainability of the local food system?

- Yes
- No

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**How is your project meeting each of the three sustainability (environmental, social, economic) dimensions and how does it assess its sustainability from a long-term perspective?**

\* What is the percentage of regional public organic food purchasing compared to the overall regional food purchasing?

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 %

\* What is the percentage of regional public local and organic food purchasing compared to the overall regional food purchasing?

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\* Please explain in max 400 characters how your project meets each of the three sustainability criteria, including reference to the above questions.

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

\* Is the region cooperating with other cities in the promotion of organic products and/or production?

- Yes  
 No

\* Could the implemented projects and set targets be used on a large scale and by other regions?

- Yes  
 No

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**6 General Information**

\* Number of inhabitant:

\* Area (in Km2)

\* % of Utilised Agricultural Land

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#### 4 Questions

**How has your project developed an excellent initiative producing real added value for organic production and consumption?**

\* Has the city Council adopted a sustainable food strategy with specific targets on organic food and dedicated financial and human resources?

- Yes  
 No

\* Does the city invest in education and promotion of organic and sustainable values?

- Yes  
 No

\* Does the city invest in organically managed green areas or organic city gardens?

- Yes  
 No

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\* Has the city developed, invested or taken part in innovative projects related to the promotion of organic products and/or production?

- Yes
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\* Has the city Council implemented innovative mechanisms to assess the overall sustainability of the local food system?

- Yes
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**How is your project meeting each of the three sustainability (environmental, social, economic) dimensions and how does it assess its sustainability from a long-term perspective?**

\* What is the estimated percentage of organic products served in the city's canteens?

*Only values between 0 and 100 are allowed*

 %

\* What is the percentage of local organic products served in the city's canteens?

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 %

\* Is the city working on water conservation through the development of organic farming?

- Yes

No

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*400 character(s) maximum*

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

\* Is the city Council cooperating with other cities in the promotion of organic products and/or production?

Yes

No

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## 5 General Information

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