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FiBL Switzerland facilitates the development of sustainable agriculture in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Eastern Europe in close cooperation with local partner organisations. In long-term trials, we conduct research on local and organic farming systems. We also offer expertise in market development.

For research and development projects, FiBL partners with the European Union (EU), the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), the umbrella organization of the organic agriculture movement IFOAM – Organics International, and other national and international institutions.

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## FiBL Switzerland Research, extension and training for nature- friendly agriculture

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### **For nature-friendly agriculture**

The Research Institute of Organic Agriculture FiBL is one of the world's leading institutes in the field of organic agriculture. FiBL's strengths lie in its interdisciplinary research, innovations developed jointly with farmers and the food industry, and rapid knowledge transfer. FiBL employs some 180 staff at its Swiss location.

### **Building soil**

Fertile soils are the basis of organic agriculture. In field trials, FiBL Switzerland works together with farmers to examine the impacts of organic, biodynamic and conventional farming systems on soil quality. In addition, we investigate the interconnections between land use and climate change.

### **Crop plants – healthy and diverse**

FiBL Switzerland develops innovative methods to achieve a rich biodiversity, top-quality foods and a productive organic farming sector. We breed resilient plant varieties and extend the range of varieties, we develop gentle crop protection measures and foster biodiversity on farms.

### **Promoting animal welfare**

At FiBL Switzerland, veterinarians and agronomists develop animal husbandry, feeding, breeding, holistic herd management and preventive health measures that are appropriate to both species and location. They also carry out research on remedies based on natural methods, as farmers can greatly contribute to the well-being of their livestock.

### **Dialogue with politics and the public**

FiBL Switzerland analyses the impact of agricultural policy measures on sustainability. FiBL researchers measure the quality of life and environment on farms. They ask consumers about their expectations with respect to organic products and improve organic food quality and safety in processing and the marketplace.

### **Extension in cooperation with partners**

FiBL's advisory services ensure that researchers and trading partners listen to the needs of practitioners. We support knowledge transfer with the help of technical leaflets, courses, field visits and the "FiBLFilm" YouTube channel as well as in cooperation with Bio Suisse in the "Bioaktuell" magazine and at "bioaktuell.ch".

