

Safeguarding Organic Integrity in Growing Global Markets

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ORGANIC 3.0

for truly sustainable farming & consumption

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A guiding concept paper by Markus Arbenz, David Gould and Christopher Stopes, based on think tanking by the Sustainable Organic Agriculture Action Network (SOAAN), by IFOAM - Organics International, by the IFOAM Action Group, and the Global Organic Movement.

Organic 3.0 Worldview

2.0

The overall goal of **Organic 3.0** is to enable a widespread uptake of truly sustainable farming systems and markets based on organic principles and imbued with a culture of innovation, of progressive improvement towards best practice, of transparent integrity, of inclusive Organic Agricultur collaboration, of holistic systems, and of true value pricing.

Praditional Farming

#1 A culture of innovation

- #2 Continuous improvement towards best practice
- #3 Diverse ways to ensure transparent integrity
- #4 Inclusive of wider sustainability interests
- #5 Holistic empowerment from farm to final consumer

3.0

#6 True value and cost accounting

Modern Convention

Sustainable Food & Farming Systems

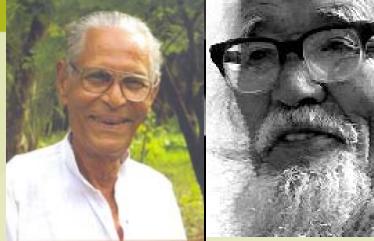


Conventional Agriculture

History, Organic 1.0

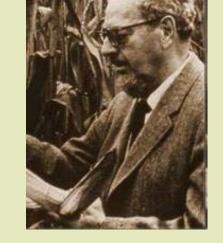


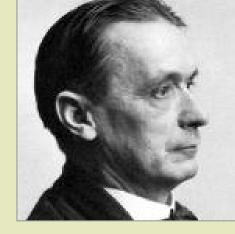
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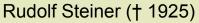






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Organic 2.0

World Map of Organic Agriculture (hectares)

Standards and certification are the main drivers of growth in organics.



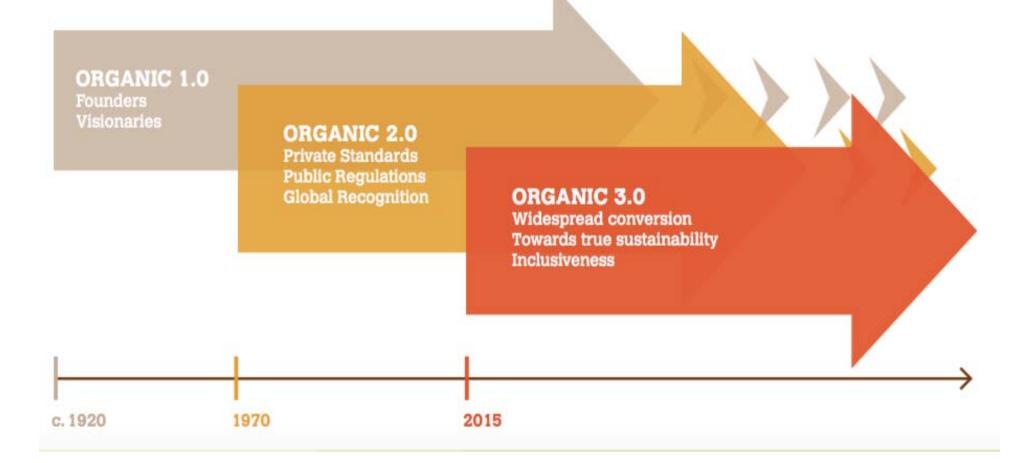


THE WORLD OF ORGANIC AGRICULTURI

What is Organic 3.0?

This is the third phase of the global organic movement

FIGURE 1 | Widespread Conversion Development Towards True Sustainability Inclusiveness



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The Washington Post

Democracy Dies in Darkness

Business

The labels said 'organic.' But these massive imports of corn and soybeans weren't.



Training Webinar for Organic Handlers:

June 14

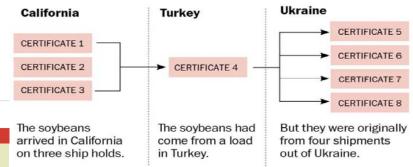
On June 14, the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) National Organic Program (NOP) is holding a one-hour training webinar for organic handlers. The topic is Organic Integrity in the Supply Chain.

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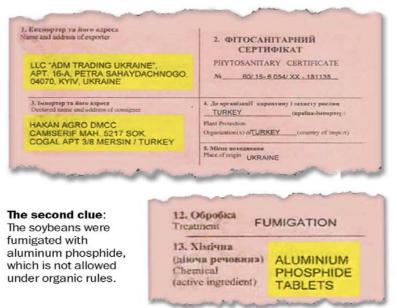
How 36 million pounds of soybeans became "organic"

A shipment of "USDA Organic" soybeans arrived in Stockton, Calif., in December. But were they really organic? The Post was able to trace the shipment from California back through Turkey to their source in Ukraine by using a set of linked health certificates, like the one on the right, that accompanied the soybeans.





The health certificates for the trip from Ukraine offered two clues that the soybeans were not organic. **The first clue**: The shipment from ADM originated in Ukraine and was delivered to Turkey. ADM does not sell organic products.



Fraud impacts the reputation of whole regions



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Associazione nazionale delle imprese di trasformazione e distribuzione dei prodotti biologici



Fraudulent activity related to imports of grains intended for processing and foodstuff for human and domestic animals consumption originated from a number of countries, namely **Moldova**, **Ukraine and Kazakhstan**, directly towards **Italy** or through **Malta**, **Slovenia** and **Romania**.

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Organic 3.0 Feature #3: Diverse Ways to Ensure Transparency and Integrity

- Different and new verification schemes will be practiced depending on the length and complexity of value chains.
- For long chains, paperwork might be complemented and reduced by modern options such as tracing and tracking technologies, which will be widely used as they become more affordable.



Organic 3.0 Feature #3: Diverse Ways to Ensure Transparency and Integrity

- Greater transparency across the value chain and among all relationships will help ensure that potential conflicts of interest are more readily exposed.
- Organic 3.0 communications systems will enable parties to identify and address their concerns.



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What is bioC?

- an internet based platform of organic certification data (www.bioc.info)
- a source for transparent and valid certification data
- a tool for verifying and monitoring the authenticity of certification status
- Search currently includes:
 - o Data from 42 certifiers
 - o Organic operations in 20 countries
 - o 100,000 certificates from 80,000 organic operations
 - Discussions with USDA National Organic Program
- Its intention is to safeguard the origin and integrity of organic products
- In collaboration with IFOAM Organics International, bioC will extend to a worldwide directory



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Transitioning from Organic 2.0 to 3.0: A Call for Action

- Umbrella Organizations: Clarify the elements of organic standards that are central to achieving required outcomes. Create a culture of continuous improvement towards best practice.
- Research and Development: Support operators and certifiers in their efforts for continuous improvement through the development of better benchmarking, novel technology for tracing (GPS, webcams, etc.), reporting and other tools.

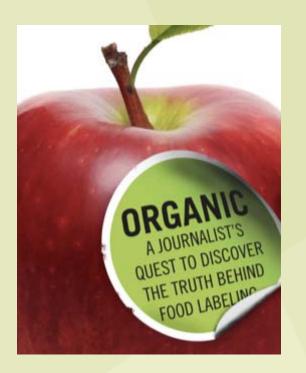


Transitioning from Organic 2.0 to 3.0: A Call for Action

- Organic Operators: Reassess their current scheme for organic guarantees. Make transparency a fundamental organizing principle of assurance systems.
- Governments and International Organizations: Review agricultural policies and adopt updated organic strategies. Support the development of accountability and transparency initiatives.



The need for Organic 3.0 is highlighted by some challenges of Organic 2.0





- Challenge: Organic standards set minimum requirements and not a high target. In certain instances, this leads to operations that meet standards but that neither fulfill the Organic Principles nor progress toward true sustainability.
- **Challenge:** Not all production techniques allowed under standards and certification fully meet the Organic Principles (e.g., social requirements, fairness in trade, recycling of nutrients, etc.).
- **Challenge:** The certification system can't fully avoid fraud, especially in longer chains.















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