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EU Organic Regulation 2018/848 - Requirements, timeframe, challenges and solutions for the transition process

What is the webinar about?

Join us for a comprehensive and practical overview of the EU Regulation (EU) 2018/848, designed to help you navigate the changes, ensure compliance, and implement best practices across the organic sector.

1. Inform about Changes in the Regulation Itself

- Present key features and structure of EU Regulation 2018/848.
- Highlight what's new compared to the previous regulation.

2. Clarify Compliance Requirements

- Explain mandatory requirements for different actor groups.
- Outline the documentation, traceability, and labelling rules.
- Discuss rules for imports into the EU under the new regulation.

3. Provide a Transition Timeline

- Clarify the implementation schedule.
- Identify key deadlines and steps for compliance.
- Discuss how the transition affects existing organic certifications.

4. Identify Challenges in the Transition Process

- Address practical difficulties faced by operators and certifiers.
- Discuss the impact on smallholders, third-country exporters, and group certification schemes.

5. Share Solutions and Best Practices

- Present strategies to overcome the identified challenges.
- Showcase case studies or examples of successful transition.
- Provide guidance tools, support mechanisms, or EU/national advisory resources.

Who should attend?

- Staff from competent authorities,
- organic stakeholders
- ICS Managers of organic producer groups in African countries

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11:30 – 11:40	Welcome, objective and webinar outline
11:40 – 12:20	Overview New EU Organic Regulation 2018/848 (main changes organic production, group certification, ICS Management, Timeline, Comparison to NOP Standard and Compatibility with Fair Trade Standard)
12:20 – 12:35	Role of Authorities and Certification Bodies in the implementation of the new Regulation
12:35 – 12.50	What are the biggest challenges in the transition process and what is the expected impact?
12:50 – 13:00	Current state of the transition process
13:00 – 13:30	Break
13:30 – 13:45	Q&A part 1 of the webinar
13:45 – 14:15	Possible solutions to adapt the system toward compliance
14:15 – 14:45	Q&A part 2 of the webinar
14:45 – 15:00	Wrap up and closure

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