



# Avalon Network



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Common Agricultural Policy  
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## **Objective Life+:**

- **Disseminate EU Environmental Policy**

## **Avalon more specifically:**

- **The cutting edge of agriculture and nature conservation/environment**
- **Including green aspects of the CAP**
  - **Agri-environment**
  - **Organic farming**



## **Target group, organisations in:**

- **new member states**
- **candidate countries**
- **new neighbours**

## **Currently 160 members (in 34 countries)**

- **NGO's**
- **Governments**
- **Research institutes**
- **Businesses**



## **Activities:**

- **Dissemination**
- **Network meetings, study visits**
- **Seminars, conferences, trainings**
- **Network management**





## **Dissemination:**

- **Newsletter, online, 4x /yr, 10 languages**
- **Extranet: information on organic agriculture; a member based knowledge pool about EU policies, Organic Farming and Agri-Environment on the Avalon website**
- **International lobby work for organic farming and sustainable rural development**
- **Support market website Green Marketing**





## **Network meetings/exchange visits:**

- **Biofach lunch February**
- **Network meeting Bled November**
- **Exchange visit the Netherlands April**
- **Exchange visit organic potato growing  
Germany September**
- **Bugday attends Green Week Brussels**
- **Network members attend GMO free conference**



# Exchange visit NL





# Bugday in Brussels





# GMO-Free Europe conference





## **Seminars/conferences/trainings**

- **Conference Bled**
- **Seminar organic vegetable production, Latvia, July**
- **Direct Marketing for farmers (MD, UA, BY, RUS, EE, LT & LV) Germany, October.**
- **Co-organisation:**
  - **Organic Market Forum Warsaw May**
  - **Bioneers conference Netherlands May**
  - **Bioacademy Czech Republic, June**
  - **ENOAS conference Turkey, August**
  - **Living Change Conference Germany, September**
  - **Bioterra Conference Romania, October**
  - **Biolan conference Ukraine, November**
  - **Organic Market Forum Romania, November**



# Enoas







## **Seminars/conferences/trainings**

- **Vocational Training Organic Farming, Ghana**
- **High Nature Value farming Serbia**
- **Agri-environment programmes Macedonia**
- **New Thracian Gold, Bulgaria**



# Ghana





# New Thracian Gold, Bulgaria





## **Network management:**

- **Membership**
- **Contracts**
- **Application**
- **Report**
- **External audit**
- **Staff in Wommels (PM, FA, PR)**
- **Partners Ekoconnect**



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