

Arable Cross Visit

Resilience of organic arable farms, value chain approach in South-Muntenia region

ROMANIA, BUCHAREST

26-28 MAY 2025

The OrganicAdviceNetwork project aims at building a strong network of advisors with organic competences across Europe. As part of this mission, the project organizes cross visits for agricultural advisors to meet, exchange and share their innovative organic farming practices.



What you can expect from this cross visit

- **Innovative Techniques:** explore the latest methods for enhancing soil health, pest control and crop diversification through the knowledge gathered by a farmer successfully advising other farmers in Biocoop Stefan cel Mare
- **Sustainable Solutions:** discover strategies that improve yields while preserving the environment and biodiversity at the NARDI Fundulea - data on genetic control, improved breeding methods, varieties and hybrids
- **Knowledge Sharing:** engage in interactive discussions to exchange ideas, challenges, and solutions with agricultural professionals related to value chain upstream and downstream activities - how to move from primary production to animal husbandry, how to enter the foreign markets
- **Practical Case Studies:** learn from real-world examples of successful organic farming models to Biocoop Stefan cel Mare and Dumitru Agrozoo

PROGRAMME

TIME	ACTIVITY	DESCRIPTION
DAY 1		
13:30 - 14:30	Introduction session <i>Fundulea Institute</i> (45 min from Bucharest)	Introduce the cross-visit program and agricultural context
14:30 - 16:30	Visit 1, good practice example at the level of the research institute <i>Fundulea Institute</i>	National Agricultural Research and Development Institute Description of the visit, practice or innovative solution Innovation in breeding and crop management
16:30 - 17:30	Reflections on the first day <i>Fundulea Institute</i> Return to Bucharest	Exchange on observations and lessons learnt from the visit
DAY 2		
9:00-12:00	Visit 2, good practice of cooperation between local public authority, advisory services at county level (DAJ) and farmers from Prahova county Symposium (45 km from Bucharest)	SC DUMITRU AGROZOO SRL, headquarters: Sirna commune, Tariceni village, agricultural farm in Poienarii Burchii commune, Ologeni village, Prahova county. Founding member of POEANA AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVE, The Administrator is a 3rd year student at the Faculty of Agronomy - land area 122 ha
14:00-16:00	Reflections on the second day	Exchange on observations and lessons learnt from the visit
16:30-18:30	Return to Bucharest Social activity	Dinner in Bucharest
DAY 3		
9:00-12:00	Visit 3, Organic AKIS services offered by a successful farmer (110 km from Bucharest)	Biocoop Stefan cel Mare, Calarasi County Innovation in crop rotation, energy savings and value chain management
14:00-16:00	Closing session Return to Bucharest	Discussion on lessons learnt from visit and feedback to the farms/places visited

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Requirements

Participation to the entire cross visit program. There is no possibility to arrive later or leave earlier, except for local participants. We suggest to arriving in the evening of 25th of May and stay at Pullman Hotel (10 Montreal Square, Bucharest 011469) or a hotel nearby. Pullman Hotel will be the meeting point for departure and return during the whole period.

Participants

Agricultural advisor supporting organic farmers or famers in conversion and advisors or young graduates willing to gain competences in organic advice are welcome to join this cross visit. Maximum 15 participants.

Registration

You will be asked to provide some personal information, a brief description of your interest in joining this visit and your capacity in covering your travel costs. Participation is not guaranteed, because the number of advisors who may join the visit is limited. Participants taking part will receive a confirmation message.

 [Register here](#)

Travel costs

In case you do not have budget to cover your travel costs, the project advisory partner in your respective country can reimburse part of your travel costs.

Eligible countries for cost reimbursement are FR, BE, DE, IT, BG, EE, DK, AT, CH, HU, ES, PT, HR, RO, IE, NL, SE, FI, CZ, PL, GR, SI, RS.

Eligible costs for reimbursement are transport (train, flight), accommodation (2-3 nights), social lunch and dinners, up to a limit of 400-800EUR/participant.

Once your participation to the cross visit is confirmed, you will receive more detailed information by the advisory project partner in your country about the conditions for cost reimbursement.

Costs during the Cross Visit are estimated to 400EUR including for breakfasts, social lunch & dinner & activity as well as the accommodation for 3 nights. This estimation does not include the food and transport expenses to reach destinations.

Local transportation will be by bus in accordance with the number of participants.

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