

## Alternative, low-cost certification system: «Bio Senegal»



The certification of organic products in Senegal is mostly done by foreign companies. This is **expensive** and smallholder families cannot afford it. In cooperation with the Fédération Nationale pour l'Agriculture Biologique (FENAB) and the International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements (IFOAM), the project is setting up a **low-cost, alternative certification system** for organically produced products.

Producers carry out the certification process themselves, together with **specialized trained inspectors, in a participatory process** that significantly reduces costs and makes it affordable for small producers. Certification is awarded on the basis of **uniform, international IFOAM certification criteria** and enables the products to be marketed under the newly established "Bio-Senegal" label on the Senegalese and West African markets. The project provides **support for the marketing** of certified products and advocates for **improved political framework conditions for organic farming in Senegal**

### Project Goals

- The participatory certification system is applied in **4 production zones in Senegal**
- The **incomes** of the producers involved are increasing
- Agroecology in Senegal receives **more political support** through effective lobbying by FENAB and its partners

### Country and Region

Senegal, regions of Thiès, Casamance, Tambacounda and Kaolack

### Project Duration

01.01.2023 – 31.12.2025

### Total Budget

750'000 CHF

### Partner Organisation



### Further Information

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