



Application for Organic Certification

Kiwa BCS Öko-Garantie GmbH
the German organic certifier No. 1

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Applicant:


Project/Sub-unit:

**Please fill out completely – this application serves as a basis
for the calculation of your offer – it is NOT A CONTRACT**

1. Company Information

Address of the Company (⇒ certificate holder) Address where Kiwa BCS will send the Certificate []		Address of the production site (⇒ if not the same as certificate holder) Address where Kiwa BCS will send the Certificate []	
Company Name:		Company Name:	
P.O.Box / Street:		P.O. Box / Street:	
Zip Code / Town:		Zip Code / Town:	
Province / State:		Province / State:	
Country:		Country:	
Geographical Reference e.g. 49°27'30.86"N 11°5'41.20"E		Geographical Reference e.g. 49°27'30.86"N 11°5'41.20"E	
VAT Reg.No. (clients only inside EU)			
Contact data of owner		Contact data of responsible person (⇒ if not the owner)	
Name:		Name:	
Phone:		Phone:	
Mobile:		Mobile:	
Fax:		Fax:	
E-mail:		E-mail:	
Address of the post-harvest / processing site (⇒ if different from certificate holder or production site)		Address of a second production or post-harvest / processing site (⇒ if relevant)	
Company Name:		Company Name:	
P.O. Box / Street:		P.O. Box / Street:	
Zip Code / Town:		Zip Code / Town:	
Province / State:		Province / State:	
Country:		Country:	
Geographical Reference e.g. 49°27'30.86"N 11°5'41.20"E		Geographical Reference e.g. 49°27'30.86"N 11°5'41.20"E	
Contact data of responsible person (if not the owner)		Contact data of responsible person (if not the owner)	
Name:		Name:	
Phone:		Phone:	
Mobile:		Mobile:	
Fax:		Fax:	
E-mail:		E-mail:	
<p>Note: If applicant is not legal owner of all facilities/sites (⇒ sub-units), please fill in Annex "List of sub-units and structogram". In case of NOP certification handling and export facilities may be exempt or excluded.</p> <p>IMPORTANT: Marketing, sale and/or export of the organic products can be conducted by the certificate holder exclusively!</p>			

Please indicate the used/spoken languages on all levels:
managers (if relevant), responsible persons such as employees/
workers, or farmers, beekeepers, etc. (in case of a group)

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2. Certification Standards

EU ¹⁾ (EU Market)	<input type="checkbox"/>	NOP (US Market)	<input type="checkbox"/>	JAS (Japanese Market)	<input type="checkbox"/>	GLOBALG.A.P.	<input type="checkbox"/>
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Fair TSA	<input type="checkbox"/>	BioSuisse ²⁾	<input type="checkbox"/>	Naturland ³⁾	<input type="checkbox"/>

Other national or private standard(s):

1) As for EU-certification outside of the European Union (Third Countries) the **Kiwa BCS Organic Production Standard** applies as legal basis which is equivalent to regulations (EC) 834/2007 and 889/2008.

2) Kiwa BCS will carry out the **BioSuisse** inspection – which is covered by our offer. The certification will be done by International Certification BioSuisse AG (ICB). In most cases, you will need an agreement with a BioSuisse-certified Suisse business partner.

3) For **Naturland** certification, please kindly also contact Naturland (naturland@naturland.de) asap. Kiwa BCS will carry out the Naturland inspection – covered by our offer. The Naturland certification will be done by Naturland e.V./Germany.

3. Scope(s) and Activities to be certified

Agriculture/ Individual Farmer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Post-harvest Handling	<input type="checkbox"/>	Processing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Export	<input type="checkbox"/>
Agriculture/ Group with ICS ⁴⁾	<input type="checkbox"/>	Feeds (JAS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wild Collection	<input type="checkbox"/>	Storage	<input type="checkbox"/>
Animal husbandry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Beekeeping	<input type="checkbox"/>	Aquaculture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Re-Packing (JAS)	<input type="checkbox"/>

4) ICS = Internal Control System → a documented internal quality system that includes a contractual arrangement with each group member. Qualified internal inspectors are to be nominated to conduct annually inspections of every group member.

Do you produce <u>conventional and organic</u> products?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Are conventional and organic products in the same facility – or in different facilities?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
If YES: On which level? (e.g. processing only)		Which products, crops or species are affected?	

3.1 Agriculture		not relevant <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total number of sites:		Total size of production area (including conventional area):	ha
Do you apply for retrospective approval of the conversion period?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Total organic production area:	ha
If YES: Please indicate whether the affected areas are cultivated – and whether they were regularly inspected as part of a program to reduce farming intensity:			

3.2 Producer Group (Farmer, Beekeeper, etc.)		not relevant <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total number of group members:		Range of farm sizes (from ... to ...):	ha
Is the group legally organized? (e.g. Cooperative)	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	What is the average farm size (ha)? How many members have more farmland than the average?	
Is an Internal Control System (ICS) already implemented?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	Total number of sites / facilities: (incl. post-harvest handling and storage units, etc.)	

3.3 Wild Crops Collection (incl. wild algae)		not relevant <input type="checkbox"/>	
Total number of the collection areas:		The respective size(s) of the collection areas:	ha
Total number of take over points / collection points:		Total number of post-harvest handling and storage facilities:	
In case of collection of seaweed/ wild algae: Is the growing area of high ecological quality?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If YES: Which ecological standard is met?	



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3.4 Beekeeping not relevant <input type="checkbox"/>			
Total number of bee hives - including conventional:		Total number of organic bee hives:	
Total number of locations of the bee hives:		Total of distances between the locations:	km

3.5 Aquaculture (→ for collection of wild algae see 3.3) not relevant <input type="checkbox"/>			
Which kind of species?		Total size of production area (including conventional area):	ha
No. of ponds/pools:		Total organic production area:	ha
In case of seaweed/algae: Used inputs / fertilizers?		In case of animals: Status (organic, etc.) of the used feeds?	
Which kind of animal reproduction are used?		If juveniles are purchased: Which status do they have (organic ...)?	
Do you have a Sustainable Management Plan ⁵⁾ ?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If annual production is more than 20 t: Have you prepared an Environmental Impact Assessment ⁶⁾ ?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>

5) Sustainable Management Plan (SMP) → The SMP lists the details of the environmental effects of the operation, the environmental monitoring to be undertaken, and measures to be taken to minimize negative impacts on the surrounding aquatic and terrestrial environments, including nutrient discharge per production cycle or per year.

6) Environmental Impact Assessment (EnvImpAs) → The assessment should ascertain the conditions of the production unit and its immediate environment and likely effects of its operation.

3.6 Livestock not relevant <input type="checkbox"/>			
Which kind of animals?		No. of the different kinds of animals?	
Total size of production area (including conventional area):	ha	Total organic production area:	ha
Total size of stable area(s):	m ²	Total size of free-range area(s):	m ²

3.7 Processing not relevant <input type="checkbox"/>			
Which kind of products?		No. of locations (sub-units, storage facilities, etc.):	
Which ingredients / processing aids are used?		Are conventional products stored in the organic facilities?	
In case of FairTSA only :		Total number of employees?	

4. History of certification

Will this be the first organic inspection ?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>	If certified before: Since when ?	month / year	Previously certified organic by:	
According to which (organic) standard(s)?					
Outcome of certification, including – if appropriate – copies of any notifications of non-compliance or denial of certification:					

If certified before: Please provide a description and evidence (→ copies of letters from the certification body, etc.) of all corrective measures implemented.



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Internal Double Certification: Your production unit or part of it is currently certified within another project different from the currently applied one in Kiwa BCS, or are you planning to do so?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<u>Internal Double Certification:</u> If applicable Who is the certificate holder? - What is the validity of the certificate? - Which standard (organic)? - If applicable, what part of another group or project?		
External Double Certification: Are you currently certified by a certification body other than Kiwa BCS? - or are you planning to do so?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
<u>External Double Certification:</u> If applicable: Which certification body? - Which (organic) standard? – What is the validity of the certificate? – If applicable: what part of another group or project?.		

5. Documentation, (➔ JAS) Quality Management & Qualification of Responsible Personnel

Do you have a detailed and up-to-date documentation system (e.g. field registers, processing records, etc.)?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you keep purchase (e.g. agricultural inputs, raw materials for processing, etc.) and sales/export receipts on file?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have written Quality Management Standards or a Quality Management Handbook (QMH)?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
Do you have written regulations concerning the handling of irregularities (e.g. contamination of organic products), recall actions and complaints?	YES <input type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>

Qualification and professional experience (in years) of the production manager (e.g. farmer or responsible person for processing, etc.):	
Qualification and professional experience (in years) of the quality manager – if applicable:	
Have the production manager and other responsible persons (e.g. for quality control) participated in an organic JAS training - conducted by a JAS accredited certification body - before?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>
If YES: Do the participants have a written evidence of this JAS training?	YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input type="checkbox"/>

6. Products to be certified⁷⁾

	Product	Hectare (ha)	Expected amount (in Tons)		Product	Hectare (ha)	Expected amount (in Tons)
1				6			
2				7			
3				8			
4				9			
5				10			

7) in case of more than 10 products please attach a complete product list.

7. Location(s) of the facility(ies)

Next (inter-)national airport / railway station:	
Estimated distances and travel times between airport / railway station and main project (in km and hours):	



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Accessibility, distances and travel times between all included/involved facilities or sub-units:

I, the applicant for the above-mentioned facility(ies),
 - declare to be legally entitled to request for an organic certification of products according to the scope of certification as indicated in item 2. of this application.
 - confirm that all above mentioned information fully and accurately represents the operation.
 - understand and accept that my above stated information will be treated confidentially by Kiwa BCS.

Place / Date

Signature of Owner / Responsible person

The part below is for Kiwa BCS internal use only!

Based on the information provided by the data of the application, the operations' complexity is estimated to be:

- REGULAR LARGE COMPLEX

Based on the information provided by the application the estimated inspection time is estimated to be:

	Hours for preparation of the inspection
	Hours for onsite inspection
	Hours for finalization of inspection/assessment report
	Hours for follow up – if applicable
	<u>Hours total as detailed above</u>

The above determined parameters serve as a first appreciation for further planning and will be aligned during the review and certification process, based on the results of the onsite inspection.

Application reviewed - the application of the operator/project is approved:

- YES YES - under certain conditions*) NO

Signature Reviewer/Certifier

Name

Nürnberg, _____
Date

*) please specify: