Alternatives to chemical crop protection for the reduction of the risks and pesticides dependency

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AIAB
Italian Association for Organic Farming
A bit of history


8,000 members (farmers, processors, professionals, researchers and consumers.

Until 2000 AIAB was the major certification body for organic farming in Italy. Since then the control and certification tasks are done by ICEA (Institute of environmental and ethical certification).

AIAB has a federal structure with a federal headquarter in Rome and 17 regional association.

Few information about our activities

- Lobby for Organic Farming at regional, national and EU level. Actively participate to IFOAM Eu group and IFOAM farmers group work
- Extension services, standard setting (garanziaAIAB, no-food)
- Communication (site, newsletters, magazine), fairs.
- Project and development: education, research and demonstration projects, national campaigns (Biodomenica and Primavera Bio)
The “conventional” model of GDO is the only way to bring organic food to all the pockets?

The opportunities of the short supply chain

✈ The classic “street markets”, but also..

✈ GAS - Gruppi di Acquisto Solidale (Solidal consumer groups), organisations of consumers, usually informal, that join together with the purpose of purchase food (organic) directly from the producer (farmer), or groups of producers organised in small or medium cooperatives or platforms.

✈ On farm sells

✈ Cooperative of consumers

✈ e-marketing
Registered in 2004, after a long preparation

- 14 farms
- 10 regional farms
- 4 farms from other regions (different products).

Distribution platform in Rome, linked to the cooperative AGRICOLTURA NUOVA.

- Objective: create an organised offer group
“GRUPPI DI OFFERTA”

- Group of farms
- Cost reduction
- Widening products supply
- More efficiency in production and commercialisation
- Increase market opportunities
“Gruppo di offerta” e the short supply chain

+ simplification in dealing with consumer groups (GAS)
+ better relationship and understanding between farmers and consumers
+ towards a complete satisfaction of consumer’s family request
+ better prices for consumers, better (and transparent) income for producers
“Gruppo di offerta” e the short supply chain

Transparent price!
14 € = 11 € production + 3 € costs
Freschness and Seasonality

Wide range of offer that allows the families to reduce the access to GDO: fruit and vegetables, cheese, olive oil, wine, processed food, bread, pasta, meat ...

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10 kg e di verdura e frutta delle az agr biologiche della cooperativa

NON DISPERDERE IL CONTENUTO NELL’ATMOSFERA
The results of Officiniae bio

- Producers decide the price
- Fidelity of the consumers, and growth (from 0 to nearly 1,000 families since 2004)
- Growth of the n° of GAS (consumer groups) in Rome.
- Each farm member of the cooperative sells directly to the consumer through “il cassettone” from 40 to 60% of their total production.
- Implementation of an IT system to manage orders
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