

**EPOK – Centre for Organic Food and Farming** at the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences (SLU) works with collaboration, coordination and information on organic agriculture research in a Swedish, Nordic and international perspective. EPOK is a resource for the entire SLU for communications with the outside world and to coordinate and initiate research and education.

**EPOK:s field of activity** – organic farming – includes the whole food system from production to consumption.

**EPOK** works with researchers, advisors, farmers, policy makers, industry, consumers organisations and students. EPOK functions as a hub for dissemination and communication.



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# COMPILING **KNOWLEDGE**, COORDINATING **RESEARCH**, PROMOTING **DIALOGUE**

## **EPOK – Centre for Organic Food and Farming**

Is an interdisciplinary knowledge centre at SLU aiming to distribute objective and research based information about organic production and organic food.

Our communication is characterised by a holistic and interdisciplinary mind-set, which is important when illustrating conflicting goals in knowledge dissemination about agricultural systems.



### **Our assignments:**

- Supply knowledge to target groups throughout the whole food system and to interest groups, authorities and decision makers.
- Stimulate dialogue and build networks to increase interdisciplinarity, collaboration and relevance in science.
- Support increased sustainability in organic production and at the same time contribute to increased sustainability in all agricultural systems.
- Teach about organic farming and organic food and form a knowledge resource for students and teachers at different schools and universities.

### **A group of communications officers and researchers working together**

We publish recent research news and thorough analyses of current knowledge on different subjects, for example animal husbandry and welfare, crop production, food quality, consumer issues, environmental impact and sustainability.

EPOK publish short news, fact sheets, articles and more extensive knowledge syntheses about organic and sustainable farming.

We offer meeting places for exchange of knowledge and experience through workshops and seminars.

Research agendas, where knowledge needs for organic food and farming are described and prioritized, are developed by EPOK in close dialogue with interested parties in the food chain, researchers and funding bodies. The agendas can be used in connection to calls for applications within research programmes directed towards organic food and farming.

EPOK is the Swedish national research platform within the European technology platform TP-Organics.

