# Call for Innovations 2018 Transformation of food and farming systems

**Call for Innovations**

TP Organics launches a call to collect solutions that contribute to the transformation of European food and farming systems based on organic and agroecological principles. Such solutions should contribute to one or more following goals that TP Organics wants to see achieved by 2030:

* 50% of European farmland managed according to organic and agroecological principles
* 75% pesticide reduction
* increase (on-farm) biodiversity
* 100% animal welfare
* 50% food waste reduction
* 100% sustainable diets

These goals are part of the Mission that TP Organics has proposed to be funded by Horizon Europe, the EU’s Framework Programme for Research and Innovation for the period 2021-2017. TP Organics is looking for innovations – from the organic or agroecological sector - that have proven their effectiveness and have a high potential to be scaled up. The innovations should contribute to all three pathways of transition:

* Efficiency: produce more food with less waste, less environmental pollution and less land degradation
* Consistency: food and farming systems adapted to territorial, cultural and socio-economic contexts, respecting the carrying capacity of ecosystems
* Sufficiency: avoid that reductions in environmental impact are nullified by increases in consumption (rebound effect)

The collected innovations will be used as examples for activities to be funded by the Mission. Applications for the Call for Innovations should be submitted using the form at the end of this document and be sent to [info@tporganics.eu](mailto:info@tporganics.eu) before 15 September. The winning organisation will be awarded at the [Organic Innovation Days](http://tporganics.eu/organic-innovation-days/) on 28 November, Brussels, and have the opportunity to present its innovation to a broad audience of companies, researchers and policy makers. Runners-up at the 2nd and 3rd place will be mentioned too. The award ceremony of this year’s Organic Innovation Days will take place at the [G-STIC conference](https://2018.gstic.org/) which promotes integrated solutions that help accelerate the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals. All eligible submissions will receive a certificate of participation and will be showcased at the [Innovation Arena](http://tporganics.eu/innovation-arena/) of the TP Organics website.

**Rationale of the call**

At last year’s Organic Innovation Days, TP Organics has called for a **Mission for the transformation of European food and farming systems** to be set up under Horizon Europe. The Mission should achieve the goals mentioned above by 2030. These goals can be achieved with research & innovation based on organic principles and will require interdisciplinary work on farms and in the food industry, and strong relations among farmers, value chain actors and citizens. Guided by the pathways of efficiency, consistency and sufficiency, the mission should fund research to re-shape and better integrate land, food and farming policies, design diversified farming systems based on ecological approaches, set up fair supply chains, and promote healthy and sustainable diets.

A full description of TP Organics’ proposal for a Mission is available in the position paper [“Research & Innovation for Sustainable Food and Farming](http://tporganics.eu/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/TPOrganics_FP9_position_paper_final_Nov2017.pdf)”.

**Call Timeline 2018**

TP Organics promotes eligible innovations

Award Ceremony 28/11/2018, Brussels

Winner notified by 25/10/2018

Winner selected by 15/10/2018

Call closes on 15/09/2018

# Submission form

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| **Categories** | **Description** |
| 1. Short title of your innovation (max. 150 characters) |  |
| 1. Contact person (name, affiliation, address, email, telephone) |  |
| 1. Project partners / partners who contributed to the development of the innovation (name and affiliation) |  |
| 1. Short summary of the innovation, addressing the following: What is the innovation about, what are the main objectives, benefits & relevance? What are possible drawbacks of the innovation? (max. 500 words) |  |
| 1. Context of the innovation. Who were the main actors developing the innovation (private sector, advisory services, farmers' organisation, research, etc)? What made them to develop the innovation? What was the concrete driver? (max. 300 words) |  |
| 1. Potential for scaling-up: How widely is the innovation already used and what is the potential use?  * In terms of geographical scale * In terms of numbers of adopters   Under what conditions can the innovation be used or adopted by others? |  |
| 1. How does the innovation contribute to more efficient food & farming systems? |  |
| 1. How does the innovation contribute to food and farming systems adapted to territorial, cultural and socio-economic contexts, respecting the carrying capacity of ecosystems |  |
| 1. How does the innovation promote sufficiency of production and consumption? |  |
| 1. Explain how the innovation respects the [principles of organic agriculture](https://www.ifoam.bio/en/organic-landmarks/principles-organic-agriculture): health, ecology, fairness and care. |  |
| 1. Funding source. How was your innovation financed? |  |
| 1. Links to website, leaflets, audiovisual material |  |