



Agriculture

Pacific Online Organic Policy Tool Kit

Problem addressed

There is little interest in developing policies to support organic farming despite the fragile Pacific environment ecosystem.



Solution

The Pacific Online Organic Policy Tool Kit is the first of its kind in the world. This resource is useful for Pacific governments at all levels to support organic agriculture and trade through public policies and programmes.

Innovations and features

- The toolkit prepares the user with the information and awareness necessary to support a strategic planning process for policy development. It includes tutorials on organic agriculture, organic principles, a global overview of government support, and information on public-private collaboration.
- There is an overview of the strategic planning process and examples of planning components and strategic organic plans.
- Provision of guidance to increase organic production, increase demand for organic products and create an enabling environment to develop a good context for the growth of organic agriculture.
- Development of gender empowerment and social inclusion tool kits to support inclusion of vulnerable populations in organic value chains.



Evidence and viability

- The International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movement (IFOAM) followed this example and developed the Global Organic Policy Tool Kit.
- For the first time, the Government of Fiji provided funding to produce alternative organic fertilizers.
- In Vanuatu, the Government committed funds to implement some activities.

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