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# Organic research in Flanders

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# Policy framework and objectives

## Organic strategic plan 2023 -2027

Objectives:



**5 % agricultural area:** the area under organic production increases to 30 000 ha by the end of 2027



**5% turnover of organic animal production:** the turnover of organic animal production grows to 5% of the turnover value of total animal production (including dairy)



**5% organic farms:** at least 5% of farms will be organic by the end of 2027

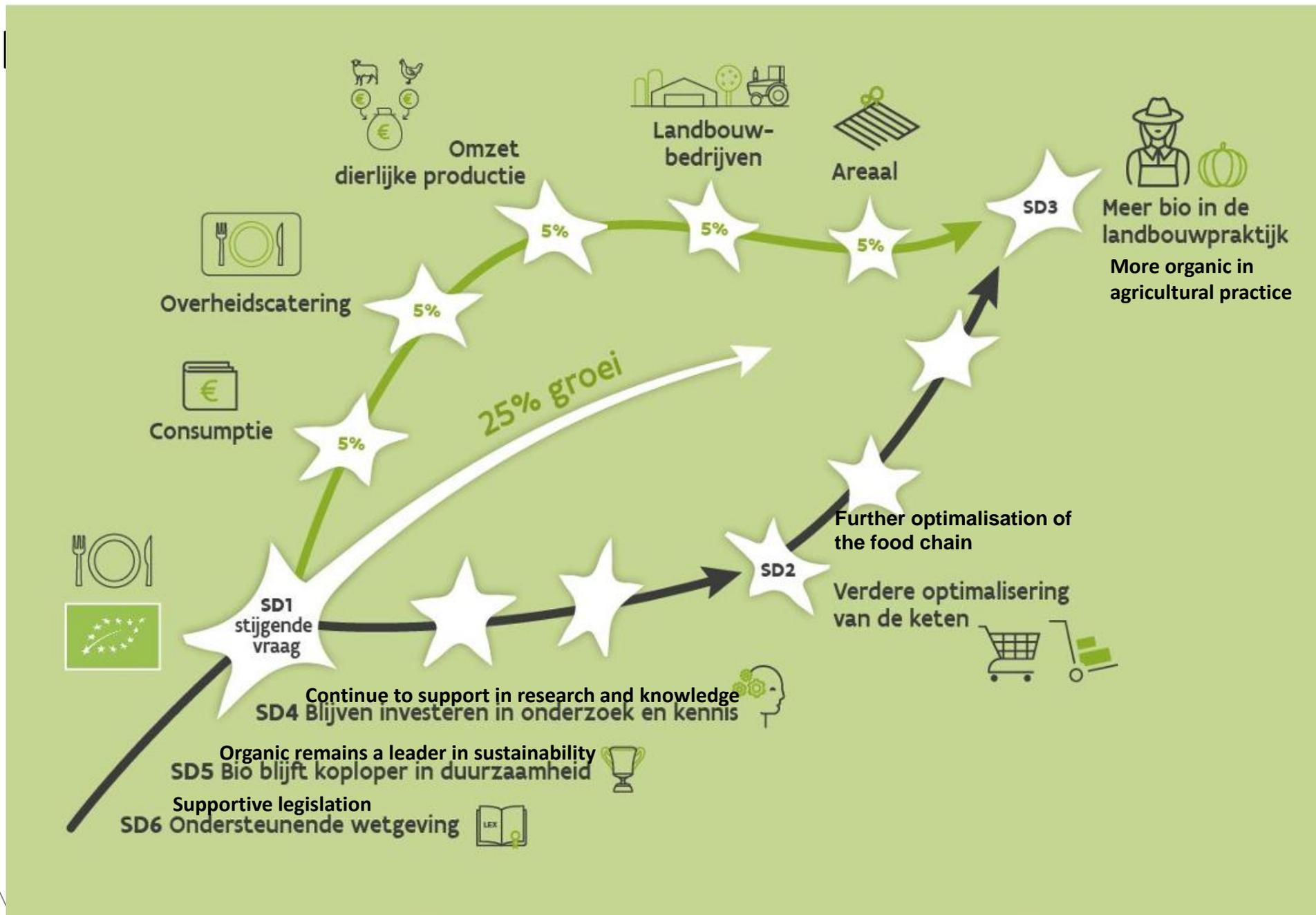


**5% organic consumption:** the volume of organic consumption will grow to 5% of the total consumption by the end of 2027



**5% organic in government catering:** organic will account for 5% of government catering by the end of 2027.

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# OD10. Financial support for individual organic farmers and in conversion farmers

- ▶ **Easier access for organic farmers to become an Active farmer**
- ▶ **Higher subsidies for organic in CAP**
  - Higher subsidies for in conversion farmers
    - Grassland, perennial fodder crops: 390 euro/ha (↔ 300 euro/ha previous CAP)
    - Arable crops: 900 euro/ha (↔ 480 euro/ha previous CAP)
    - Fruit, vegetables, ornamental plants and herbs : 1.700 euro/ha (↔ 850 – 860 - 1320 euro/ha previous CAP)
  - Organic farmers
    - Top-up for organic production
      - First 5 ha: 300 euro/ha
      - Following 70 ha: 100 euro/ha
      - Above 75 ha: 50 euro/ha
    - More access to eco-schemes and agri-environmental climate measures
- ▶ **VLIF (Flemish Investment Fund) Productive - Non-productive**
- ▶ **Support for certification cost**

# OD14. Strengthening the Organic knowledge network as a center for demand driven research

## ▶ Funds for CCBT

- Staff and operational cost
- Yearly call for projects:
  - Demand driven, within 2 years, each subsector has a project
  - 2-3 project duration
  - Carried out by practise centres
  - Communication of research results: BioPraktijk – [www.ccbt.be](http://www.ccbt.be)
  - ≈ 300 000 €/budget

# OD15. Organic agriculture research is given a full place within agriculture and food research

- ▶ European Partnership for Innovation (EIP)- projects
- ▶ Demonstration projects
- ▶ VLAO La-call

# OD 16 In depth research on organic farming

## ➤ Yearly ≈300 000 € budget for

- Flemish call
  - 2-3 project duration
  - the theme(s) of the call are determined in consultation with the organic sector
  - Fundamental research
  - Carried out by Flemish research institutions and Flemish educational institutions (universities and university colleges) without commercial objectives. Collaboration with practice centres is possible

OR

- Participation in international calls
  - Past: Core organic
  - Partnership on agroecology living labs and research infrastructure

## ➤ VLAIO : 1 000 000 € for

- Partnership on agroecology living labs and research infrastructure
  - No specific requirement for organic research