

A close-up photograph of a woman with a weathered face, wearing a wide-brimmed straw hat and a white button-down shirt over a patterned blouse. She is standing in a field of tall grass or crops. In the background, another person wearing a yellow hat is visible but out of focus.

Grolink is an international consultancy dedicated to organic agriculture. The head office is in Sweden with partner offices in Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe.

The Grolink mission

To make the world a better place to live in by providing clients with excellent consultancy service in the field of organic agriculture, environment and social development.

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Grolink offers advisory and training support tailored to the needs of clients worldwide with a range of initiatives including organic production & processing, organic certification, marketing, extension and policy development. Our clients include private companies, NGOs and governments. Grolink work in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America.

Consultancy services

Production, quality assurance and marketing

Grolink assists small and large operators through their conversion and certification process including

- training of extension service to conduct Farmer Field Schools in organic agriculture
- development of Internal Control Systems for grower groups
- documentation and quality system management in production and processing

Grolink also assists in marketing with

- market studies
- trade fair exhibitions
- strategies and contacts for exports or imports
- product development



Inspection, certification and accreditation

Grolink has an outstanding record in inspection and certification development internationally. Grolink is engaged in developing organic certification bodies in Tanzania, Uganda and Bosnia & Hercegovina. Grolink also provided training and advisory support to the Chinese semi-government certification body, OFDC; the Thai NGO certification body, ACT; the Thai government accreditation body, ACFS; as well as the Malaysian government certification programme.

Sector development training

Grolink conducts an international advanced course in Organic Agriculture Development annually for NGOs, private sector

professionals and government officials from developing countries. The training held in Sweden, Africa and Asia is sponsored by Sida, the Swedish Agency for International Development Cooperation.



Grolink also runs courses on domestic organic sector development for local small to medium size enterprises and NGOs in Africa. In 2005, Grolink managed a regional training on Fair Trade & Organic Rice chain, in Thailand, and a market development training, in Indonesia.

Policy research, reports & publication

Grolink conducts reviews and provides reports on organic agriculture development for policy development purposes. We have prepared reports for international agencies such as IFAD, OECD, UNCTAD and UNESCAP.

Grolink publishes The Organic Standard, a subscription based electronic monthly journal, focusing on organic standards, certification, accreditation and regulations, read more at: www.organicstandard.com

Comprehensive programmes

Grolink works with development programmes for organic agriculture in countries or parts of countries. The EPOPA programme is a large programme managed together with our Dutch partner Agro Eco. The objective of EPOPA is to increase income of small holders through the exports of organic products, the programme is ongoing. From 2003 to 2005 Grolink manages a programme to develop organic agriculture in Bosnia & Hercegovina.



Professional code of conduct

Grolink partner consultants do not take up work that opposes or violates principles of sustainable/organic agriculture, basic human rights, as well as fair and equitable trade practices.

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Read more about Grolink, and run through our track record.

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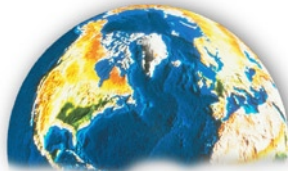
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“There is not one developed and one underdeveloped world,
there is only one world that is badly developed.”

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