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Organic pig farming: a contributor to the development of organic agriculture?

The development of organic pig production in Europe is slow compared to other animal and plant sectors.

The consortium's objectives were to identify the obstacles and levers to the development of organic pig farming by comparing the viewpoints of researchers from a dozen disciplines and some 20 stakeholders.

A total of 164 obstacles and 231 levers were identified. They were grouped into five themes, characterized by the level of organization (from the animal to the sector and to the territory) and the link in the-food chain value (from upstream to the consumer) concerned, providing a basis for reflection for the construction of cross-disciplinary projects:

1. The management of animals and farms, with the aim of establishing tools and reference production practices that meet the constraints of the OA regulatory framework.
2. Product outlets and development, where the potential levers are to plan production according to downstream needs and to control production costs.



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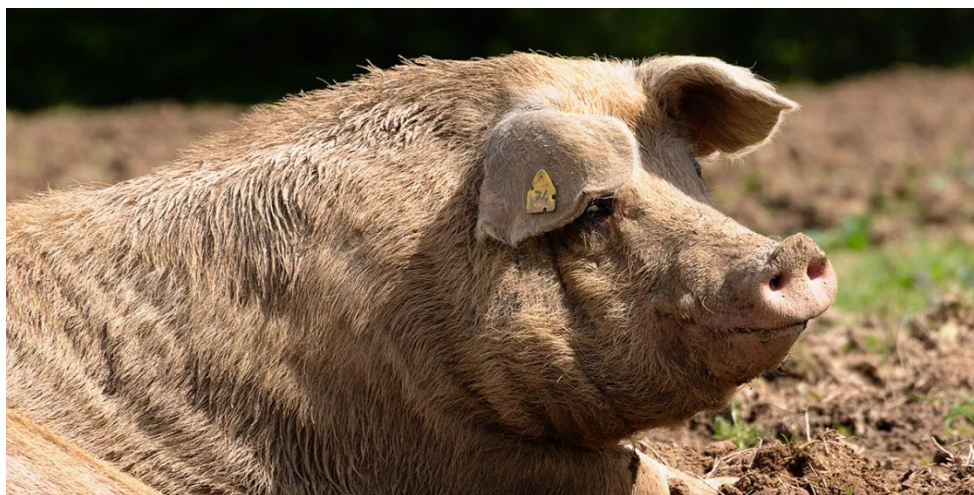
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3. The diversity and complementarity of activities that focus on the relationships between levels of organization and between links, as well as on the territorialization of the sector.
4. The development of training activities and different forms of support for existing and future farmers.
5. Dialogue with society to improve the image of agricultural production and to explain how product prices are determined.

A primer¹ summarizing the specific features of organic pork, aimed primarily at clarifying the purchasing and consumption habits of young adults, was created by students as part of a research-training-innovation approach.

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