



ERIAFF Agroecology Working Group

Andalucía profile

Main information:

- Country:
➔ Spain

- Regional capital:
➔ Sevilla

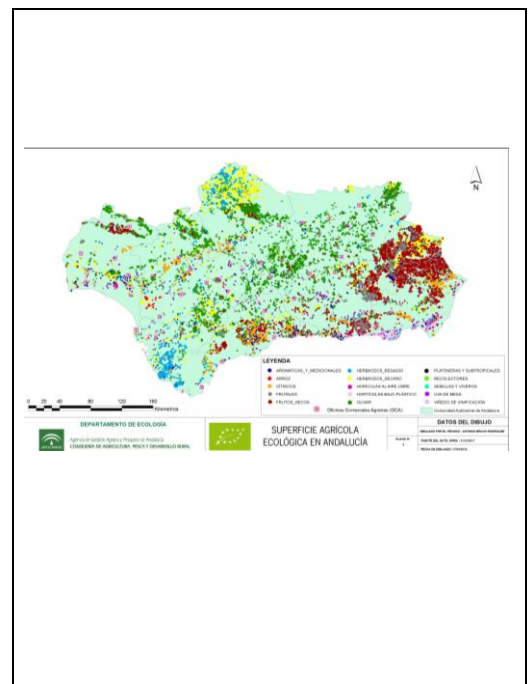
- Population:
➔ 8.427.000

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- What are the main agricultural sectors in your region?
➔ Regarding the agricultural area, olive groves stand out, followed by herbaceous crops, mainly cereals, industrial crops and vegetables. In Andalusia, the utilised agricultural area amounts to 3.6 million hectares.
In organic farming, the olive grove occupies the first place in area, followed by nuts and cereals. The agricultural area in organic production amounts to 1.1 million hectares.
However, in terms of production, it is horticultural crops that occupy a preferential place.

- What are the main issues farmers are facing in your territory?
➔ High production costs are a big problem for farmers, as is the great difficulty of marketing. Climate change extremely affects Andalusia, with long



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periods of droughts, so the need to acquire the capacity to adapt to climate change is especially important.

- Can you present 1 or 2 agroecological good practices led in your region?

Action strategy to support **BIODISTRICT implementation** in Andalusia; it is about generating methodologies, materials and resources that allow interested entities, boost these Biodistricts based on agri-food systems sustainable premises in territories. From our perspective, Biodistricts are a tool fundamental, since they allow build and articulate new systems in a given territory, implementing in a coordinated way a set of actions that go from the support in the improvement of sustainable production techniques, until performances of consumer promotion.

Projects Advisory Network on organic production: network of technicians that offers advice to operators of ecological production and people interested in converting to organic production in Andalusia. This team of advisers also participates in the design and execution of Agroecology Classrooms, tools multi-purpose outreach, in which the subject is addressed of inputs and ecological practices, women, youth, production and industry, emerging crops and adaptation to climate change.

