The World of Organic Agriculture: Regulations and Certification Emerging Trends 2014

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Organic Regulations by Continent (2013)

No of Countries with Organic Regulations: 2002 versus 2013

Europe: 2002 → 44, 2013 → 86
America and Caribbean: 2002 → 5, 2013 → 20
Asia and Pacific: 2002 → 8, 2013 → 25
Africa: 2002 → 1, 2013 → 1
Countries Drafting Organic Regulation

- Russia, Belarus, Bosnia-Herzegovina
- Bangladesh, Kyrgyzstan, Nepal, Pakistan
- Jamaica, St Lucia
- Burkina Faso, Kenya, South Africa, Sudan
US: 101 approved CBs

Certification Bodies in US

Certification Bodies world

Source: www.Ams.usda.gov; access 23.01.2014
EU: 223 approved CBs

Certification Bodies in EU

Certification Bodies world

Source: EU: 223 approved CBs

CBs located inside the US

181

42

20

approved CBs inside EU

approved CBs outside EU
Origin of approved EU CBs
(1-24 CBs approved per MS; 5 MS without private CB)

Quelle:
Origin of approved Non-European CBs
Article 10 of Regulation (EC) No 1235/2008 (red bar)

Third Countries with Non-European Certification Bodies
Countries covered by Non-EU CBs
mostly operating in own country/region

Third Countries with Non-European Certification Bodies

Quelle:
Focus:
- clearer standards (guidance documents and broader scopes (aquaculture, pet food)
- compliance and enforcement
- Data and information technology
- market access (local and regional producers, equivalency arrangements)

Imports: Equivalency arrangements:
- Canada
- EU (01.06.2012)
- Japan (01.01.2014)
- In preparation: Korea, Costa Rica
Trends in Regulations: EU

- New import scheme is implemented
  - Import authorizations expire by 01.07.2014 the latest

- Complete Revision in preparation
  - Draft will be published in March 2014
  - Reduction of exemptions (e.g. part conversion, tethering of animals…)
  - Introduction of compliance scheme for imports
  - Bilateral agreements with other countries
  - Strengthening authorities role in control system
Trends and Conclusions

- Mutual recognition arrangements among main markets (US, EU, Canada, Japan...)

- Compliance for imports: hurdles for smaller players increase
Thank you very much!

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