

Organic farming: organic production and labelling of the products (repeal. Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91)

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The policy debate, held in Council, focused on labelling matters in relation to organic products and was based on a questionnaire prepared by the Council Presidency. To find a compromise solution the majority of delegations agreed that any future approach should be based on three categories, namely:

- 95% “golden standard”;
- 70% “labelling; and
- Below 70% “ingredients labelling”.

The EU logo should be awarded to the first category only. The Commission stated that if the majority of delegations supported this approach, then so could it. At the Special Committee on Agriculture, the concerns and comments of some of the delegations’ comments will be taken into account. The Special Committee will then prepare an overall compromise text which it will submit to the Council in December.