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Professionalising group certification.

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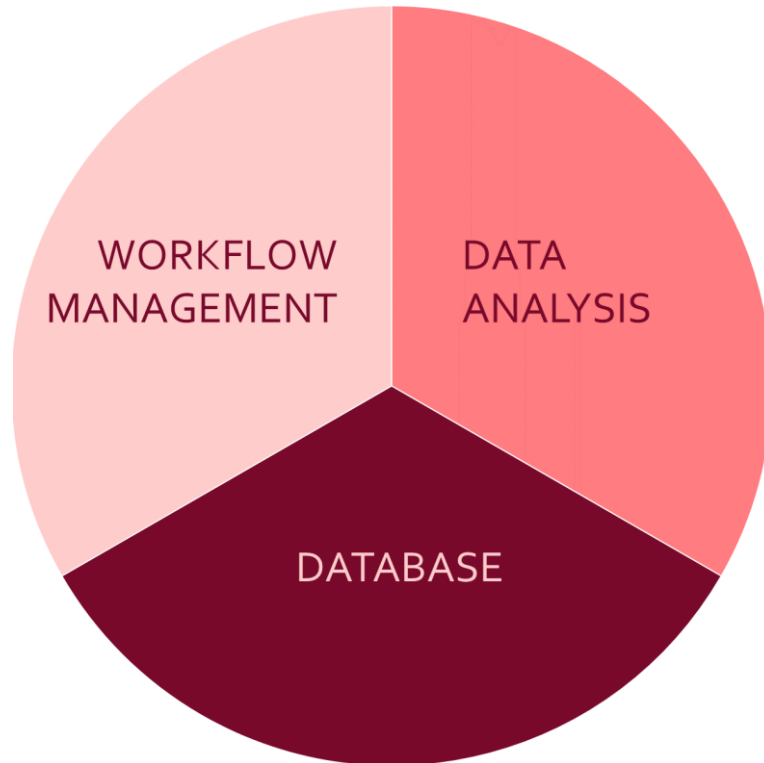
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➢ **Self-organized grower groups** aiming for certification against public or private standards

➢ **Processing or trading companies** with a significant number of contracted farmers

➢ **Development organisations, foundations or agricultural associations**

➢ **Consultants and certifiers** as implementation partners

"Group Integrity helps transform groups into well-structured, transparent, and reliable market partners."

(Gerald A. Herrmann, Director Organic Services and past IFOAM President)

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➢ serves as a database

➢ allows you to comprehensively analyse and share your data

➢ guides you efficiently through the inspection/ certification workflow

ONE system for the ENTIRE audit and certification process

| Membership | Registry of data | Implementation of internal inspection | Review approvals/ internal certification | Non-conformities | Analysis/ reports/ approved farmer list |

Access options

➢ online via any web browser

➢ offline through our 'Onsite'-tool

➢ app-development is in progress

3. How does it work?

Key functions

Internal Process Control	Multi-standard Checklists
Registry of data	Automated notifications
Document upload	Geo Code and Maps
Analyses and Reports	Transaction certificates
Non-conformity management	Inspection tools

4. What are the benefits?

SAFE.

CONVENIENT.

ECONOMIC.

CREDIBLE.

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4. What are the benefits?

SAFE

- **decreased risk** of compliance problems before, during and after certification

- structured and predefined workflows **stabilise** the internal control system

- digitalisation **prevents data loss**

- **data safety** is secured with ISO-certified Austrian hosting

- only registered users have access to the system and its data

- data visibility and accessibility according to defined user rights and roles

- **systematic monitoring** of deviations and corrective measures

- efficient **prevention of conflicts** of interest among inspectors

4. What are the benefits?

CONVENIENT

- ➢ **no installation**, globally access
- ➢ "On-Site" allows working **remotely** without internet access
- ➢ all data easily available online in one secure platform
- ➢ No more error-prone, intricate Excel-files and paper-based documentation
- ➢ **easy** data analysis, reporting and sharing
- ➢ multilingual, **flexible** interface, e.g. in EN, ES, DE, FR, PT,…
- ➢ option to create **individual** checklists
- ➢ checklists can be automatically updated according to applied standards
- ➢ **efficient planning** of inspection visits including integration of Google Maps
- ➢ **automated** email and reminder functions
- ➢ integrated tool "transaction deliveries"

4. What are the benefits?

ECONOMIC

- process **optimisation** across the organisation
- **less efforts** for certification, re-inspections, corrective actions, product recalls
- **speeding up** of administration processes
- **facilitated communication** within the group and towards business partners
- increased likelihood of a **successful** third-party certification
- strengthened market position and **competitiveness**
- option to increase visibility and **exposure** by uploading data into Check Organic

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CREDIBLE.

➤ software is based on **ECERT**, the worldwide leading ERP solution for audit and certification and management

➤ developed in **cooperation** with leading certification bodies, e.g. CERES, Naturland, ECOCERT, etc. to address the specific needs of small-scale farmers

➤ our consultancy draws on **more than 30 years of industry experience**

➤ increased supply chain **transparency**

➤ credible **product integrity**

Thank you!

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