The path to organic certification can be long...

Steps:
- Choose an organic standard and a certification body
- Implement administrative and technical measures that are organic
  - Field history review
  - Review of crop plans
  - Establish or review farm plan
- Undergo inspection & report review

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- Information (requirements and processes)
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- Financial support (adoption, transition and fees)
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...with (successive) obstacles along the way
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- Analysis

- Focused on:
  - organic or other related issues
  - specific sectors or general reach
  - specific regions or national reach

- Directed at:
  - producers, SMEs, cooperatives, exporters
  - government officials/agencies
  - actors in the quality infrastructure ecosystem

- Integrated approach or specialized in one aspect of the process

...with great potential for synergies, complementarities but also redundancies
Synergies also come in all shapes and forms ...

E.g.:

- UN Perception Assessment Toolkit (coffee, Bolaven Plateau) and CIRAD projects in the area

- UN Trade Cluster – SECO (multiple agencies coordinating)

- Helvetas Biotrade – process similarities
Discussion

- Potential for/experience with synergies
- Usefulness of centralized cataloguing of projects
- Need for a horizontal network of agencies that support (organic) agriculture
- Under what framework? (LOMA?)