



NOTIFICATION

<p>1. <b>Notifying Member:</b> <u>ALBANIA</u> <b>If applicable, name of local government involved:</b></p>
<p>2. <b>Agency responsible:</b> Ministry of Agriculture, Rural Development and Water Administration</p>
<p>3. <b>Products covered (provide tariff item number(s) as specified in national schedules deposited with the WTO; ICS numbers should be provided in addition, where applicable):</b> Biologic production/organic agriculture</p>
<p>4. <b>Regions or countries likely to be affected, to the extent relevant or practicable:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <b>All trading partners</b> <input type="checkbox"/> <b>Specific regions or countries:</b></p>
<p>5. <b>Title of the notified document:</b> Draft Law "On biologic production". Draft had been prepared based on the following EU legislation: Council Regulation (EC) No. 834/2007 of 28 June 2007 on organic production and labelling of organic products and repealing Regulation (EEC) No. 2092/91 <b>Language(s):</b> Albanian <b>Number of pages:</b> 27</p>
<p>6. <b>Description of content:</b> The purposes of this law are:  This law provides the basis for the sustainable development of organic production while ensuring the effective functioning of the internal market, guaranteeing fair competition, ensuring consumer confidence and protecting consumer interests.  It establishes common objectives and principles to underpin the rules set out under this law concerning:  a) all stages of production, preparation and distribution of organic products and their control;  b) the use of indications referring to organic production in labelling and advertising.  This draft law has the following chapters: Title I: General Provisions Title II: Objectives and principles for organic production Title III: Production rules Session 1: General production rules Session 2: Farm production Session 3: Production of processed feed Session 4: Production of processed food Session 5: Flexibility Title IV: Labelling Title V: Controls Title VI: Trade with other countries Title VII: Information Title VIII: Administrative infringements, sanctions Chapter VII: Final dispositions</p>

7.	<b>Objective and rationale:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> food safety, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> animal health, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> plant protection, <input type="checkbox"/> protect humans from animal/plant pest or disease, <input type="checkbox"/> protect territory from other damage from pests.
8.	<p><b>Is there a relevant international standard? If so, identify the standard:</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Codex Alimentarius Commission (<i>e.g. title or serial number of Codex standard or related text</i>)</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> World Organization for Animal Health (OIE) (<i>e.g. Terrestrial or Aquatic Animal Health Code, chapter number</i>) Terrestrial Animal Health Code, chapters 1.4 and 7.5; Aquatic code, chapter 1.4</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International Plant Protection Convention (<i>e.g. ISPM number</i>) ISPM 01</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p><b>Does this proposed regulation conform to the relevant international standard?</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, describe, whenever possible, how and why it deviates from the international standard:</p>
9.	<b>Other relevant documents and language(s) in which these are available:</b>
10.	<p><b>Proposed date of adoption (dd/mm/yy):</b> June 2016</p> <p><b>Proposed date of publication (dd/mm/yy):</b></p>
11.	<p><b>Proposed date of entry into force:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Six months from date of publication, and/or (dd/mm/yy): 31 December 2016</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Trade facilitating measure</p>
12.	<p><b>Final date for comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sixty days from the date of circulation of the notification and/or (dd/mm/yy): 8 August 2016</p> <p><b>Agency or authority designated to handle comments:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>
13.	<p><b>Text(s) available from:</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> National Notification Authority, <input type="checkbox"/> National Enquiry Point. Address, fax number and e-mail address (if available) of other body:</p>