



COUNTRY REPORT OF 'DEMETER TÜRKİYE BIODYNAMIC AGRICULTURE ASSOCIATION' FOR 2019-2020'

Demeter **Türkiye Biyodinamik Tarım Derneği** founded in 2018. We had a fruitful year with different activities in 2019.

The awareness of people increased and the curiosity as well what, why and how we are doing. Mostly the people are dealing and consuming conventional agriculture products over the country and organics have only 'a certain of extent' share in the domestic market because most of the part is for export. The first time after our organisation; Demeter certified products were introduced into our market by İstafil Çiftliği in Istanbul and the people understand the quality difference as soon as they receive the parcels and eat them .



The Biodynamic training activities were held in the 'RUMI CENTER' the 1st Biodynamic Centre of Türkiye. In 2019 twice our Demeter advisor Mr. Hans Supenkaemper lectured us AGRICULTURAL Course of Rudolf Steiner 1&2 together with biodynamic preparations practically made and buried on Istafil farm premises with valuable meditations.



Our cooperation started with Waldorf schools in Istanbul. We made 'Vegetable gardens' for the kinder gardens. The kids and the teachers joined us. With dirty hands and boots we managed an unforgettable experience and after his Waldorf Gardening programme, the state schools around have started to make similar activities with their students.



We held our annual meetings in 2019 and confirmed once more our way of map for future. No more individual attempts and everyone agreed this would miss the mood of our being but moving altogether to reach our aim .Honest Production and Training are the two main points we focus on.



Wanderschule is our guide on the way how to train Turkish advisors for self-sufficiency and this is very important.

We continue to develop Universities and agronomist all over the country. We support women farmers.

Marketing and co-operations with small farmers is going on.

We made our Moon Calendar first time and it is in Turkish language. We are planning to introduce it with Maria Thun calendar in our 3rd Biodynamic Training Course.

We and all the participants know that biodynamic agriculture is a movement in our country against the inferior agricultural applications and become a part of the whole by caring responsibility not only for human beings but all the nature and its habitants.

Warm Regards,

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