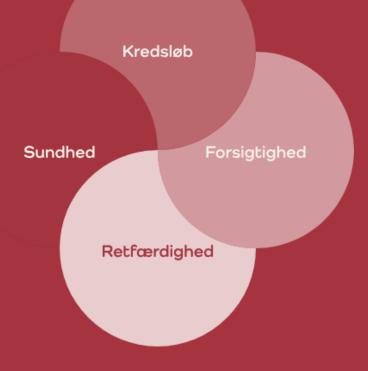
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How have the farmers been motivated and assisted in turning and staying organic

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Motivation for conversion and the support on the way

Economy

- Stable economy after conversion
- Guarantee of sales
- Conversion check free of charge





Finding new inspiration as a farmer

- New challenges and inspiration
 - Manage without pesticides
 - Efficient grazing systems
- Support from colleagues and advisors
 - Farmer support groups (ERFA-grupper)
- Feel the backup of the consumers
- Events like Økodag

Basis for staying organic – beeing part of a new community

Professionel challenges

- Economy has been the same or better
- Safety and stability
- It is not that difficult
- Getting new skills is fun
- Growing into organics the inner conversion
- Respect between organic af conventional farmers
 - We are neighbors
 - The Danish way respect and accept

Support

- Support from consumers and society
- Part of a innovative community
- Farmer groups ERFA-grupper
- Organic advisors close by
- Organic knowledgde easy to access
- Organic innovation



