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IMPACT-DRIVEN APPROACH TO SUSTAINABILITY IN THE FLOWERS AND ORNAMENTALS INDUSTRY: TARGETING SUSTAINABILITY THROUGH IMPACT-DRIVEN FARMING.

What is the Impact-Driven Approach to Sustainability?

The Impact-Driven Approach to Sustainability (IDA) is a system to help flower and ornamentals farms to collect, process, and store their environmental sustainability data. It is also in line with Floriculture Sustainability Initiative requirements regarding digital registration for environmental metrics.

The Impact-Driven Approach can be used as a standalone module or as a complementary add-on to Integrated Farm Assurance (IFA) for Flowers and Ornamentals (IFA v5.2 or a benchmarked equivalent).

Both the standalone module and the add-on are to be used in combination with a farm management system (FMS).

How does it work?

Upload your input consumption data on a monthly basis to a GLOBALG.A.P. compatible farm management system of your choice. After six months of uploading data, you can undergo an IDA assessment with a GLOBALG.A.P. approved certification body of your choice. The data is sent to GLOBALG.A.P. for processing, then returned to you in the form of historical trend graphs and comparison reports. You can use this data for improving your farming efficiency and therefore your environmental credentials.

Which data is collected?

Input consumption data, which you may already be collecting in an FMS or otherwise. This data consists of plant protection products, fertilizers (nitrogen and phosphorus), and water and energy usage.

All data that the FMS shares with GLOBALG.A.P. is treated confidentially and shared only back to individual producers in agglomerated and anonymized form.



Nine reasons to love the Impact-Driven Approach

- Increases awareness and control of your environmental performance
- Offers insights which enable you to constantly improve
- Individual and identifiable data is not shared with other parties
- Sustainability efforts are not scored or ranked publicly against other growers
- Free choice of FMS software provider and certification body in the open market
- Participation in a growing network for good agricultural practices (G.A.P.)
- In line with environmental registration criteria from the Floriculture Sustainability Initiative
- Strengthens your position in the market
- Prepares you for the future of impact-driven/outcome-based certification schemes



All producers wishing to implement IDA – whether as the module or add-on – will need to use a GLOBALG.A.P. compatible FMS.
Find a list of all compatible FMS on our website: www.globalgap.org/IDA-FMS

Pathway 1

Producer without any certificate and not yet ready for entry-level farm assurance (Wants IDA module only)



- Find a GLOBALG.A.P. approved certification body which offers IDA module assessments in your area. You can find one using our “Find a certification body” search tool. Contact the certification body of your choice and ensure you are registered in the GLOBALG.A.P. database with your Global Location Number (GLN). If you do not have a GLN, you will be assigned an LGN (localg.a.p. Number).
- Begin entering the applicable data into your GLOBALG.A.P. compatible FMS. You must do this for at least six consecutive months before you are ready for your assessment.
- Download the relevant IDA standalone module documents and checklists. Carry out a self-assessment using the checklist and correct all the points you do not comply with.
- After a minimum of six months of data have been uploaded to your FMS, and if you are sure you comply with all the obligatory control points for the IDA module assessment, you are now ready for the assessment with your chosen certification body.
- If you pass the assessment, your certification body will issue you with a letter of conformance for the IDA module. Congratulations on taking the first steps towards sustainable farming and joining the GLOBALG.A.P. system! You will need to continue registering data each month in order to maintain conformance.

Pathway 2

Producer with IFA FO certificate or benchmarked equivalent (Wants IDA add-on)



- Contact your certification body and let them know you wish to apply for the IDA add-on.
- Begin entering the applicable data into your GLOBALG.A.P. compatible FMS. You must do this for at least three consecutive months before you are ready for your assessment.
- Download the relevant GLOBALG.A.P. IDA document and checklist. Carry out a self-assessment using the checklist and correct all the points you do not comply with.
- After a minimum of three months of data have been uploaded to your FMS, and if you are sure you comply with all the obligatory control points for the IDA assessment, you are now ready for your assessment with your chosen certification body.
- If you pass the assessment, your certification body will issue you with a letter of conformance for the IDA add-on. Congratulations on continuing your journey towards sustainable farming! You will need to continue registering data each month in order to maintain conformance.

CB = certification body
FMS = farm management system
IFA = Integrated Farm Assurance
IDA = Impact-Driven Approach

Costs

Farm management system fee <i>Paid to FMS software provider</i>	Cost depends on your software provider. <i>Find a compatible FMS on our website: www.globalgap.org/IDA-FMS</i>
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Impact-Driven Approach registration fee <i>This fee is received by GLOBALG.A.P. but will be invoiced by the certification body which carries out the assessment</i>	Annual fee according to production area (covered/non-covered hectares)	
	< 0,5	€ 50
	> 0,5 - < 2	€ 75
	> 2 - < 5	€ 100
	> 5 - < 15	€ 150
	> 15 - < 100	€ 175
> 100	€ 200	

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Certification body fees <i>Assessment and admin fees paid to certification body of choice</i>	Cost depends on your chosen certification body. <i>Shop around to find an offer that suits you.</i> <i>If you choose to do the IDA assessment as an add-on, the assessment can be carried out at the same time as your IFA inspection to save costs. In this case, the FMS fee and IDA registration fee are the same as for the standalone module, but the IDA certification body fees will be combined with your certification body fees and registration fees for your IFA certification.</i>
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GLOBALG.A.P. compatible FMS:

Name	Website
FarmManager	https://manager.farm
AKOLogic	https://akologic.info/
GreenlinQ Data	https://greenlinqdata.nl/
Maatwerk	https://www.telermaat.nl/maatwerk/
GMN Crop	http://www.gmncrop.nl/

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GLOBALG.A.P. approved certification bodies for IDA:

Name	Website
Agrar-Control GmbH	https://www.agrar-control-gmbh.de/
CKCert	https://www.ckc.be/
Control Union Certifications B.V.	www.controlunion.com www.c-plus.nl
Institute of Quality & Control (IQC)	https://www.iqc.co.il/
MPS-ECAS B.V.	https://ecas.nl/
SGS Netherlands B.V.	https://www.sgs.nl/

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