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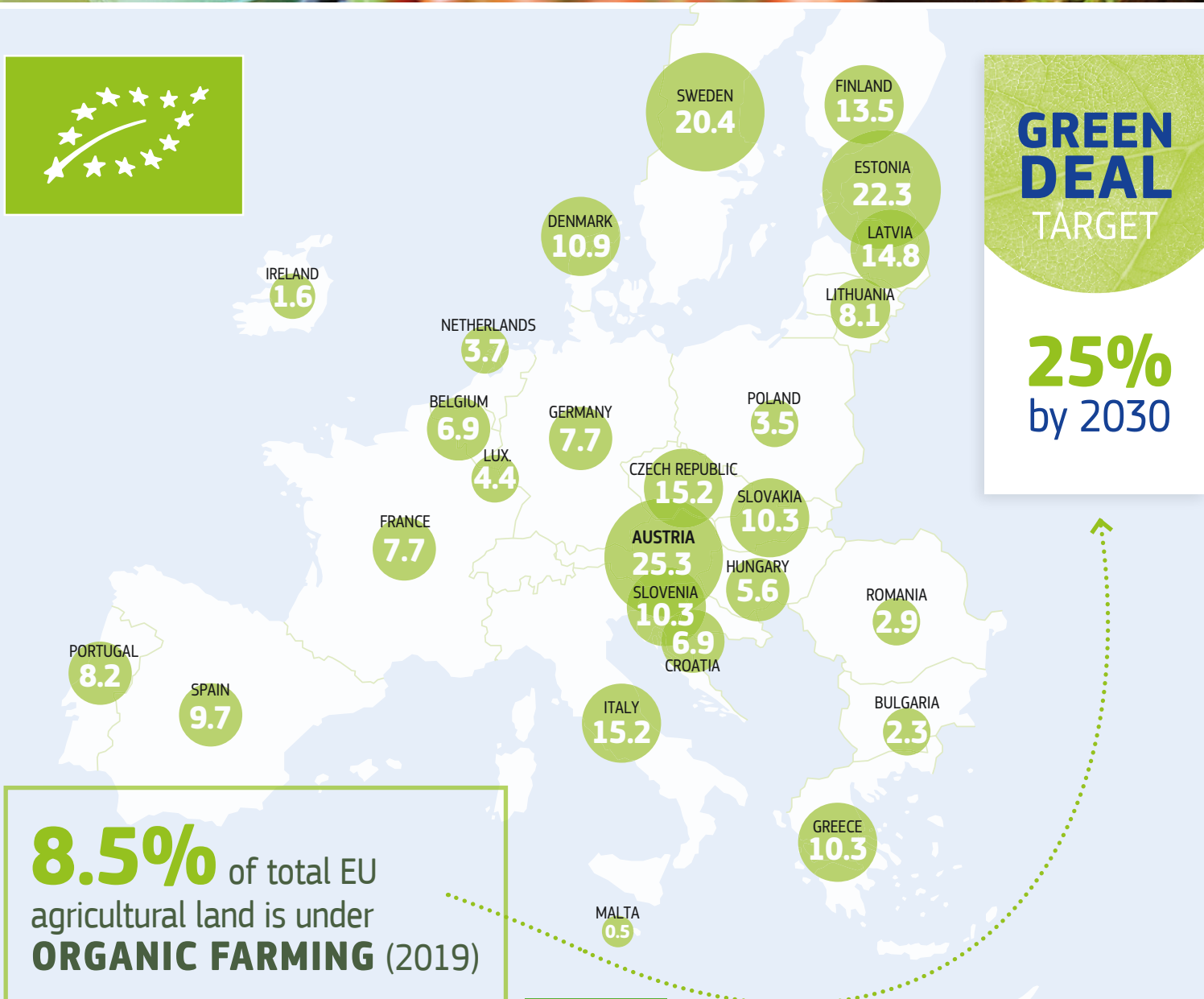
ORGANIC FARMING IN THE EU

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GREEN DEAL
TARGET

25%
by 2030



8.5% of total EU agricultural land is under **ORGANIC FARMING** (2019)

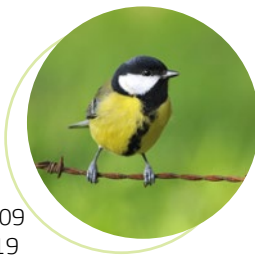
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PRODUCTION

The area under **ORGANIC FARMING** has increased by almost **66%**

from **8.3 million hectares** in 2009 to **13.8 million hectares** in 2019



Producers receive **PRICE PREMIUMS** of up to **150%**

on **organic products** compared to conventional



There are over **343 858** organic producers

and over

78 240 organic processors in the EU in 2019



SUSTAINABILITY

Organic farmland has **30%** more biodiversity

Organic farming is, **BENEFICIAL TO POLLINATORS**

Organic farmers **LIMIT THE USE OF** artificial fertilisers, herbicides and pesticides

Organic farming **plays an important role in improving ANIMAL WELFARE**

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CONSUMPTION

Retail sales of **ORGANIC PRODUCTS** increased by over **145%**

€18 billion to €41 billion + from 2009 – 2019

Even more people recognise the EU logo:

56%

in 2020 compared to **27%** in 2017¹

Around **80%** of people believe that organic products are more **environmentally friendly** and respect **higher animal welfare standards**¹



¹Eurobarometer 504 (2020)