

WHY SORGHUM IS A CROP FOR THE FUTURE?

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Sorghum ID (Sorghum International Development) is a young organisation created to promote the interest of sorghum all over Europe, from France to Russia. Sorghum is a very interesting crop, produced all over the world, it's the 5th cereals produced. The diversity of sorghum is very large, with sorghum cultivated for grain, sorghum cultivated for fodder, or sorghum cultivated as green fertilizer or as biomass. Today, Sorghum in Europe isn't very well known, it's cultivating in almost each countries of Europe but on a number of hectares very limited. The organisation Sorghum ID try to give information to farmers how to crop sorghum and how they can use it as fodder. As well, the uses is very important, to grow up sorghum is interesting but for farmer the selling part is also important, it's why we are promoting this crop to the animal feeding company, the industrial agrofood company for human uses. Sorghum doesn't need so much inputs, it's one of the most water efficient crop and supporting the high temperature, Sorghum is a good answer regarding climate changes. Also, the diversity of uses of sorghum is huge; for animal feeding, it's providing good quantity of protein; for human food, it's high-energy, rich in anti-oxidants, gluten-free, etc. Today in Europe, the research through the seed breeders is working to increase the yield potential, the drought tolerance, grain and forage quality.