
A1.4.8 SMART (Sustainability Monitoring and Assessment RouTine)

Country/Countries: Switzerland (applied internationally)

Organization/Host: FiBL – Research Institute of Organic Agriculture

Website: <https://www.fibl.org/en/themes/smart-en/>

Year of launch: 2014

Development phase: Fully operational tool

Aims and goals: Sustainability assessment across environmental, social, economic and governance dimensions

Target audience: Farmers; Food companies; Value chain actors

Average monthly users: No data available

Description:

Developed by the Research Institute of Organic Agriculture (FiBL), SMART is a sustainability assessment framework that evaluates the environmental, social, economic, and governance performance of farms and food companies. Fully aligned with the FAO SAFA Guidelines, it provides a transparent and comparable way to assess sustainability performance. SMART is an assessment tool rather than a certification scheme or label.

SMART was named by the AgriToolkit respondent as a similar tool, confirming its relevance as a reference point for farm-level sustainability assessment in the DIVINFOOD context.

Key features:

- Assessment across four sustainability dimensions: environmental integrity, social well-being, economic resilience and good governance.
- Full alignment with the FAO SAFA (Sustainability Assessment of Food and Agriculture systems) Guidelines.
- Transparent and comparable scoring, enabling benchmarking between farms and between companies.
- Applicable both at farm level and at food-company level.
- Explicitly an assessment tool, not a certification scheme or consumer label.

User guidance:

No real user guidance beyond the SMART Tool description and SAFA guidelines. A dedicated officer can be contacted for more assistance.

Similar apps/tools:

AgriToolkit; RISE; COMPASS; AGRIDEA tools

