



ask-Valerie.eu

your virtual advisor for agriculture and forestry

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Valerie



What is VALERIE about?

- Making (European) research results accessible for practice
- Providing information about solutions and innovations in agriculture and forestry
- Key output: 'ask-Valerie' a smart and interactive search engine for research outputs for use by farmers, foresters, advisers and researchers

Search with Google, wiki or
OrgEprint



brown spots in potatoes?

Search with ask-
Valerie.eu– find the
golden documents



*results of previous
research in the
agronomy &
forestry domain*



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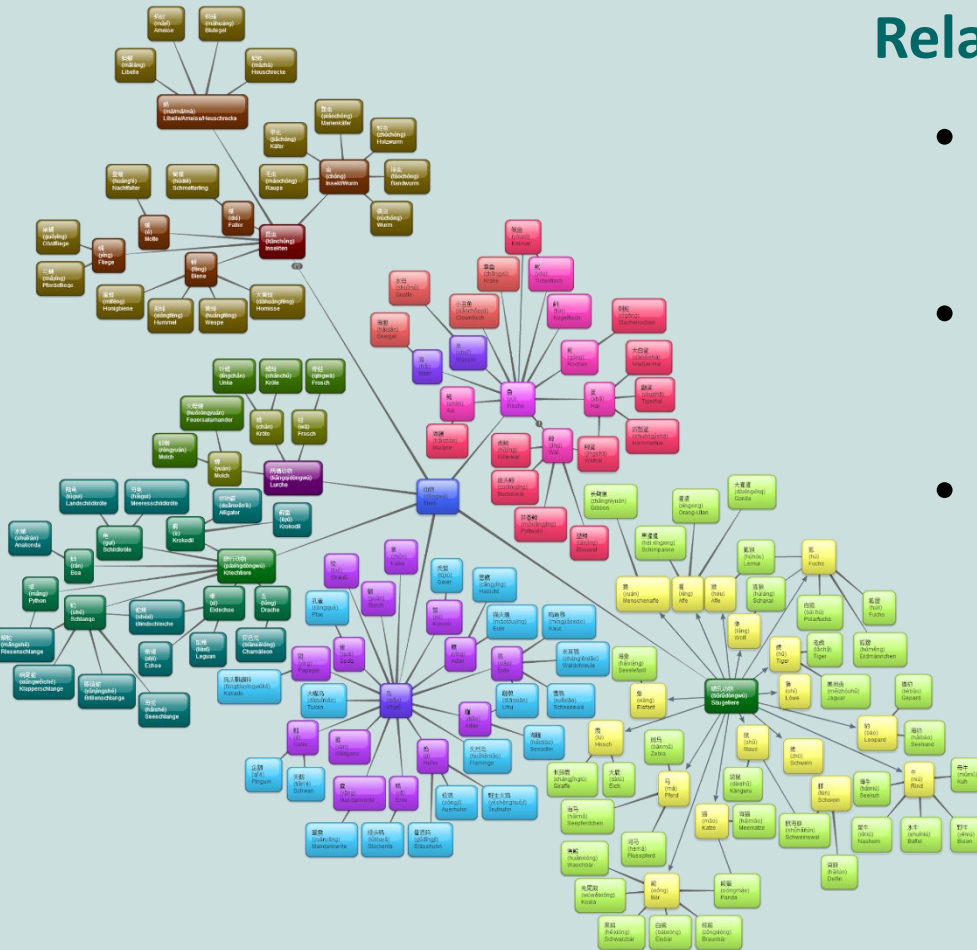


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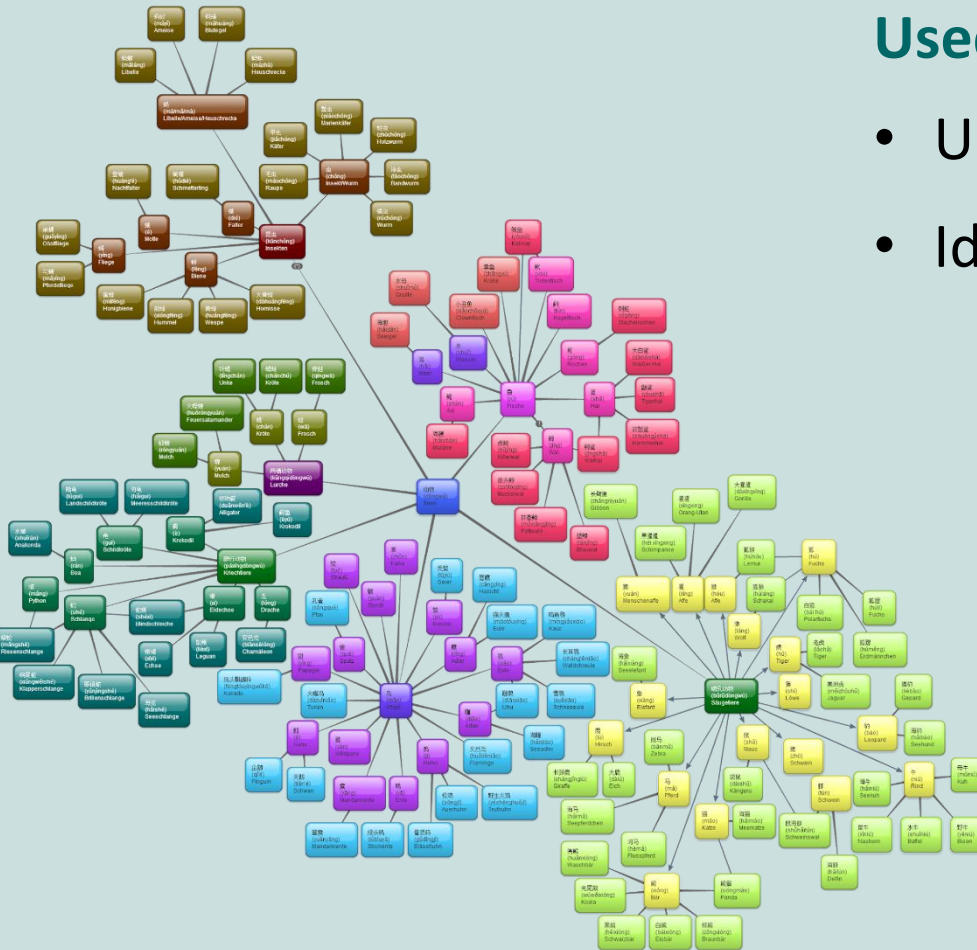
Related concepts:

- kind of
(Golden Delicious - is a kind of – apple)
- synonym
(Meadow – is a synonym of – pasture)
- related to
(Cow – is related to – Dairy)



Used for

- Understanding the question
- Identifying suitable knowledge



Crop rotation including soil cover management
and integrated pest management (IPM)

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Eco-system and social services in
agriculture and forestry

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Soil management as an integrated
agro-ecological system

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Water management in agriculture

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Recycling and smart use of biomass and food
waste: waste generated in primary production

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Sustainable integrated supply chain services and
tools, innovative farm and forest management

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Case studies

Catchment scale resource use efficiency



Soil management in livestock supply chains



Sustainable Forest Biomass: Recycling of Wood Ash



Agroecology: managing plant protection



Innovative arable cropping



Sustainable Forest Management and Ecosystem Services



Improving Milling Wheat Quality



Drip Irrigation Management in Tomatoes and Maize



Sustainable Onion Supply Chains



Sustainable Potato Supply Chains



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Tuhka paketoiti tien rakenteen matalammaksi

Esa Kurki



Pielisjoen rantaraitilla on käytetty parinsadan metrin matkalla tuhkasta valmistettua kevytkiviainesta suodatinkerroksessa.

Seisomme nyt tuhkan päällä. Hiekkatieaikaan tässä oli kymmenen sentin routanousu talvisin, ja se olisi vaatinut hyvin syvän kiviainesrakenteen, mutta tuhkan ansiosta rakenne on saatu paketoitua noin 50 senttiä matalammaksi, esitelmöi Ecolan Oy:n kehityspäällikkö Mikko Räisänen kevyen liikenteen päällystetyllä rantaraitilla Joensuussa.

Finnish case study:
Sustainable forest
biomass – recycling of
wood ash

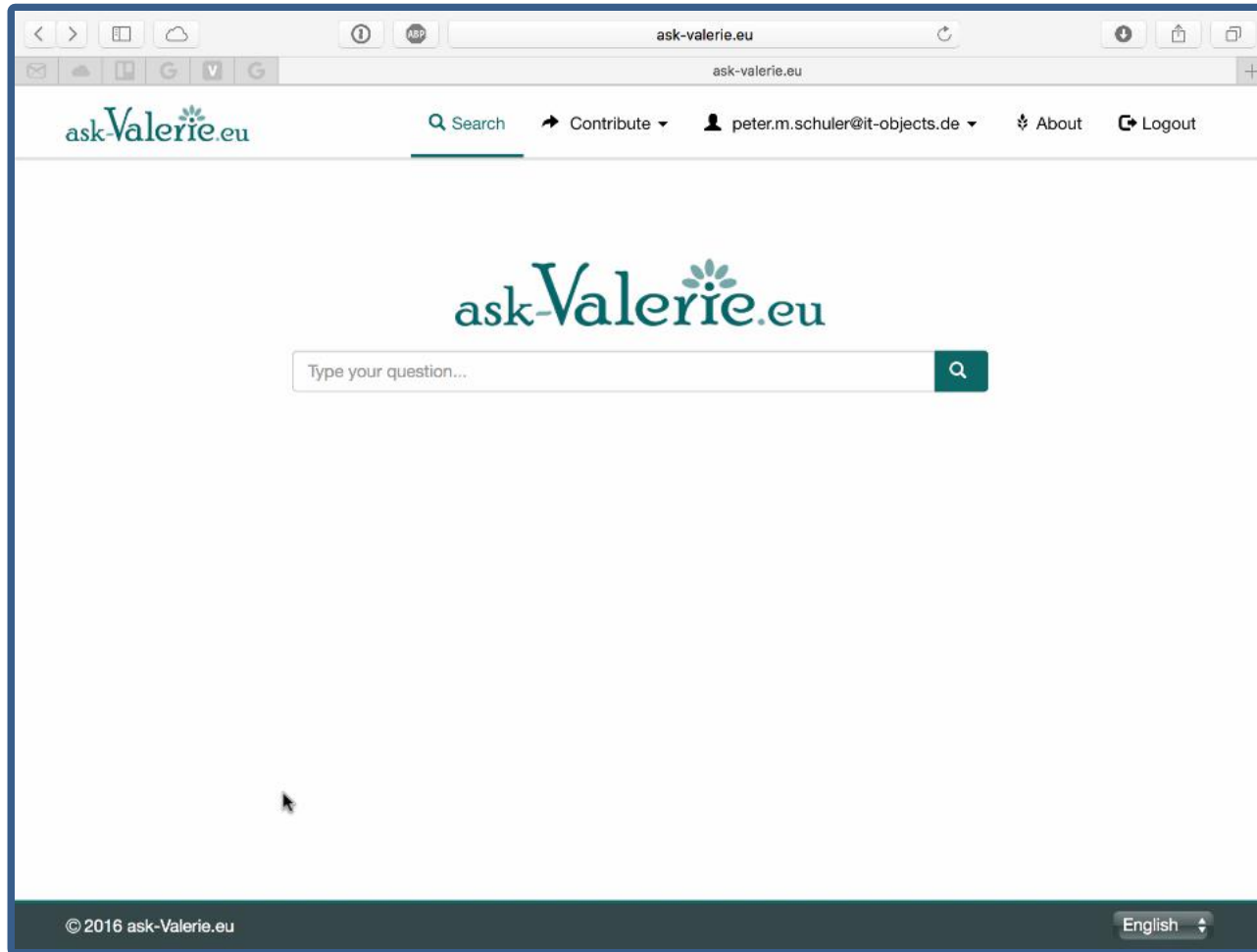


How can the case studies help VALERIE?

The case studies are linked to VALERIE in 2 (interconnected) ways:

1. They contribute toward development of ask-Valerie (a smart search tool)
2. Stakeholders in case studies learn from the project

ask-Valerie.eu – your virtual advisor asking questions



ask-Valerie.eu assists the user asking natural language questions by knowing agricultural terms

ask-Valerie.eu – your virtual advisor

finding results

The screenshot displays the ask-Valerie.eu web application. The browser address bar shows 'ask-valerie.eu'. The page header includes the logo, a search bar with the text 'Type another question...', and navigation links for 'Contribute', 'peter.m.schuler@it-objects.de', 'About', and 'Logout'. The main content area shows a question on the left: 'How shall I manage potassium in fertigated tomato'. The right side displays search results under the heading 'I found 100 Documents that are related to your Question.' The first result is 'Commercial tomato production handbook', which discusses fertilizer injection methods and mentions 'potassium'. The second result is 'Treated agro-industrial wastewater irrigation of tomato crop: Effectson qualitative/quantitative characteristics o f production andmicrobiological properties of the soil', which also mentions 'potassium'. The third result is 'Plant tissue analysis and interpretation for vegetable crops in Florida', which mentions 'potassium chloride fertilization'. Each result includes a brief excerpt and a 'page' reference.

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My Question

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Term Editor

potassium

tomato

Add Term...

Apply Changes

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Commercial tomato production handbook

Excellent results have been achieved by injecting at least half of the fertilizer through the drip system. This allows plant nutrients to be supplied to the field as needed. This method also eliminates the need for heavy fertilizer applications early in the season, which tend to leach beyond the reach of root systems or cause salt toxicity problems. Only water soluble formulations can be injected through the drip systems. Nitrogen and **potassium** formulations tend to be more water soluble than phosphorous and, consequently, are more easily injected. These nutrients also tend to leach quicker and need to be supplemented during the growing season. Thoroughly flush drip systems following each fertilizer injection. [page 14]

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1:2 w/v) and 1:2.5 (w/v) aqueous soil extracts, respectively. The avail- ble phosphorus was determined using the sodium bicarbonate ethod (Olsen et al., 1954), and the total organic carbon (TOC) was etetermined by oxidation with **potassium** dichromate titration of eSO4 , according to Walkley and Black (1934). The soluble NO3-N nd NH4-N were determined according to Keeney and [page 4]

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Peck, N. H., and G. E. MacDonald. 1986. Cauliflower, broccoli, and brussels sprouts responses to concentrated superphosphate and **potassium** chloride fertilization...J. Amer. Soc. Hort. Sci. III:195-201. [page 14]

ask-Valerie.eu finds relevant documents in a domain-specific library and uses synonyms to improve the results

- Add terms
- Return to my original question
- Access to ontology
 - broader terms
 - narrower terms
 - related terms
- Remove terms

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fertigation	≡

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🔍 Apply Changes

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🇬🇧 food crop	
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🇬🇧 lycopene	
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Add Term... +

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Library

- Asking questions, getting results
- Advanced search
 - Refining questions
 - Bookmarking documents
 - Saving questions
- Language-support
 - Multi-language UI
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 - terms

Community

- Connecting with farmers and foresters throughout Europe
- Building up thematic/regional communities
- Sharing documents with others
- Discussing innovation
- Connecting through social media
- Getting into contact with experts
- Activity feed, ...

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Community features (in progress)

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The screenshot displays the user interface of the ask-Valerie.eu community. At the top, a banner image of sunflowers is shown with a blue square containing the letters 'CR' on the left. The title 'Crop rotation, soil cover ... pest mana...' is prominently displayed, followed by a subtitle: 'Crop rotation, soil cover management and integrated pest management Crop rotation is the farming ...'. Below the title, statistics show 0 Posts, 2 Members, and 0 Followers. A '+ Invite' button and a settings gear icon are also present.

On the left, a 'Space menu' lists options: Stream, Wiki, Files, and Linklist. The main content area features a text box with the message: 'I just found a useful paper in ask-Valerie's library. Have a look: www.ask-V.eu/125436'. Below this is a 'Submit' button and a small icon. A 'Filter' and 'Sorting' dropdown menu is located below the text box.

The main post is by Peter M. Schuler, dated 'about an hour ago (Updated 17 minutes ago)'. The post title is 'Crop rotation, soil cover management and integrated pest management', with a 'WIKI PAGE' label. The text describes crop rotation as a farming practice of growing different crops in sequence over several years, highlighting its advantages over monocultures. It mentions that crop rotation provides greater variety in the timing and duration of soil cover, reduces nitrate leaching, protects against erosion, improves soil structure, contributes to carbon sequestration, suppresses weeds, pests, and diseases, and enhances soil health. A link 'Open wiki page...' is provided. At the bottom of the post, there are social media sharing icons for Facebook, Twitter, and LinkedIn, along with 'Unlike (1)' and 'Comment' options.

On the right side, there are two sections: 'Latest activities' showing 'Patrick Silva joined this space. about an hour ago' and 'Space members' showing two member avatars.

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Ask-Valerie.eu online mid-April

Ask-Valerie as a search engine used by EIP-AGRI? (European Innovation Partnership from DG-AGRI)

Ask-Valerie integrated as a search engine in other websites? E.g. libraries, research institutes, repositories

Ask-Valerie continues under the new H2020 thematic networks

- AFINET (Agroforestry Innovation Networks) project: expand the Valerie domain to agroforestry

We continue to upload wood-ash recycling documents and improve the ontology