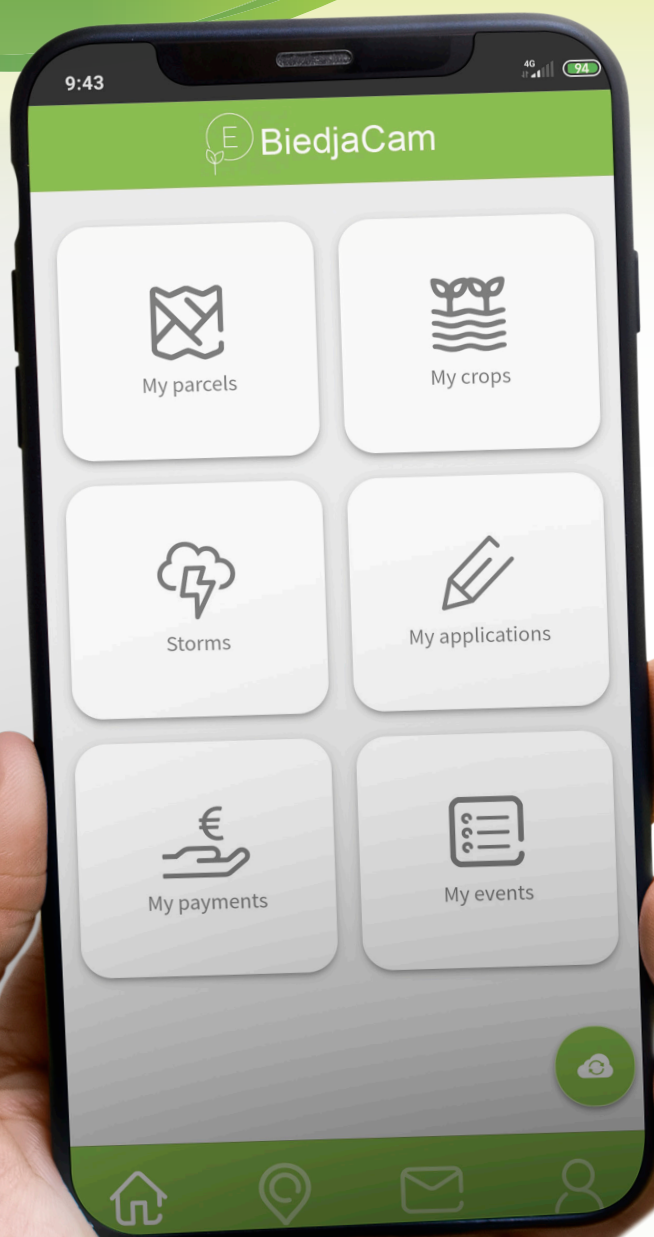


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Are you planning on applying for support under Eco-Schemes and want to avoid on-site inspections? Do you want to compile a crop plan without having to visit the Agency's offices? Or have the possibility to amend your application in case of minor issues?

If your answer is yes, download **BiedjaCam** now.



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What is BiedjaCam?

BiedjaCam is a mobile app released by the Agricultural and Rural Paying Agency (ARPA) to assist you in organising, planning, and keep up-to-date with your agricultural holdings in a digital manner.

These are the main functionalities found in the app:



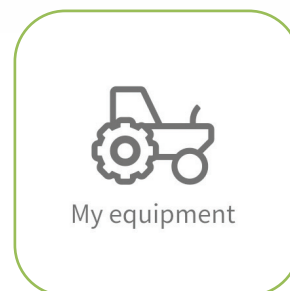
See all your registered parcels



Crop plan management



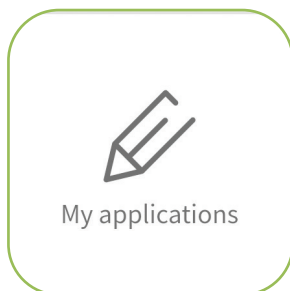
List all structures



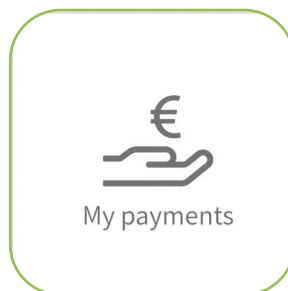
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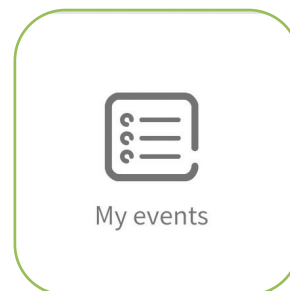
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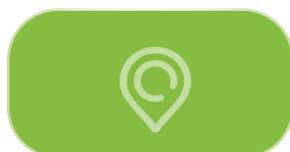
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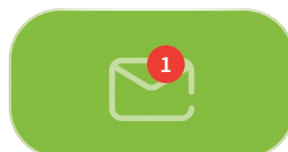
See all payments received



See all your upcoming events



Take geo-tagged photos requested by ARPA



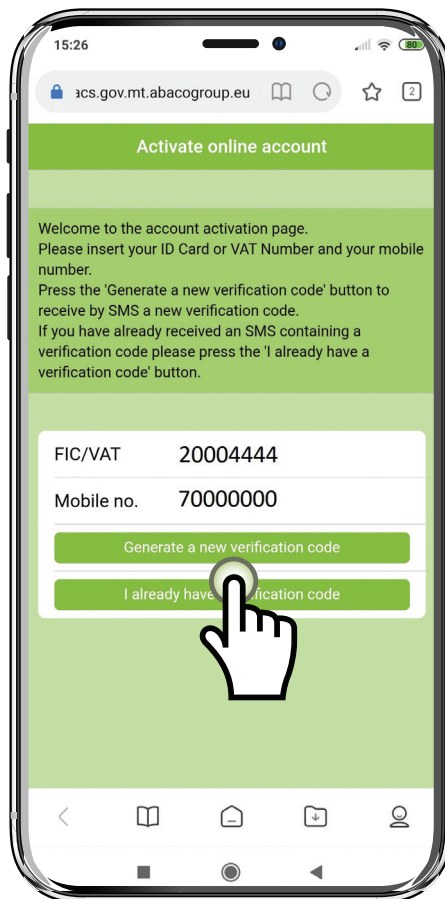
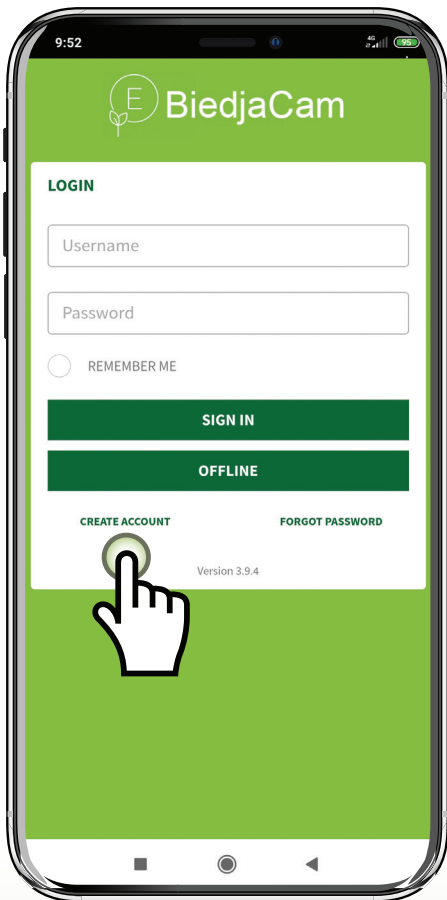
Receive important reminders and notifications from ARPA. Also, communicate directly with an ARPA officer.

What device do you need in order to use BiedjaCam?

- ▶ Any Android or iOS device which includes a camera, accelerometer, gyroscope and compass sensors;
- ▶ Android version 6.0 or later / iOS version 10.0 or later;
- ▶ A Google or Apple account; and
- ▶ It is important that you register within IACS (including your I.D. card / VAT and your mobile number) and that your information is up-to-date and correct.

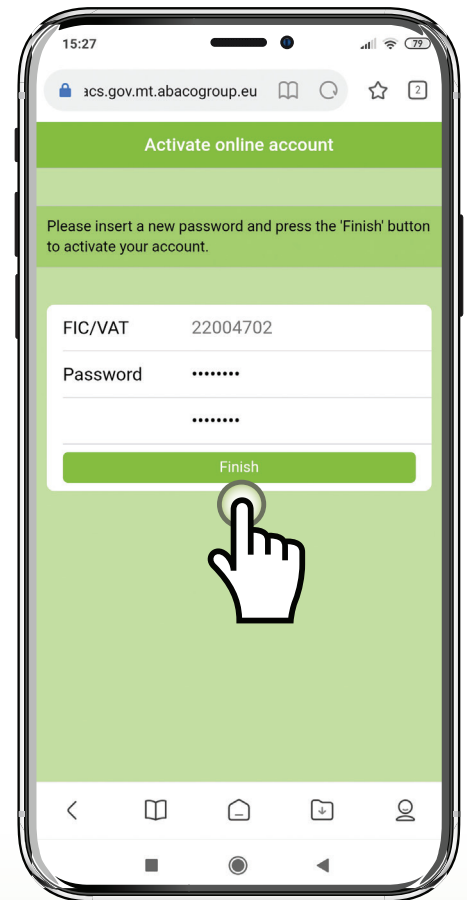
How to activate your account and log in:

➔ Upon installation of BiedjaCam app, click on **Create Account** to activate your account.



➔ Enter your ID card / VAT number, your mobile number and click on **Generate a new verification code**. Enter the code that you have received by SMS.

➔ Enter and confirm your password and click on **Finish**.



➔ Go back to Login page, enter your **username** (ID card/VAT number) and your newly created password. Tick **Remember me** if you want to save your credentials for the next access and click on **Sign In**.

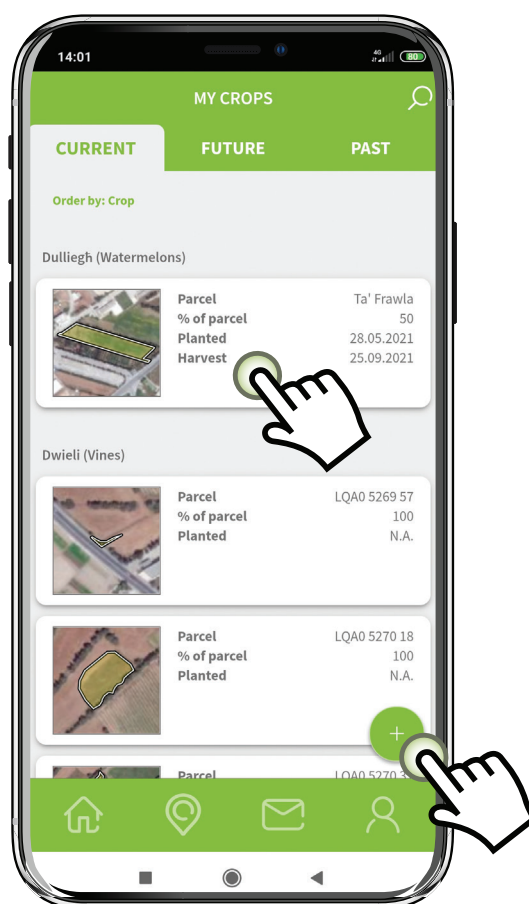
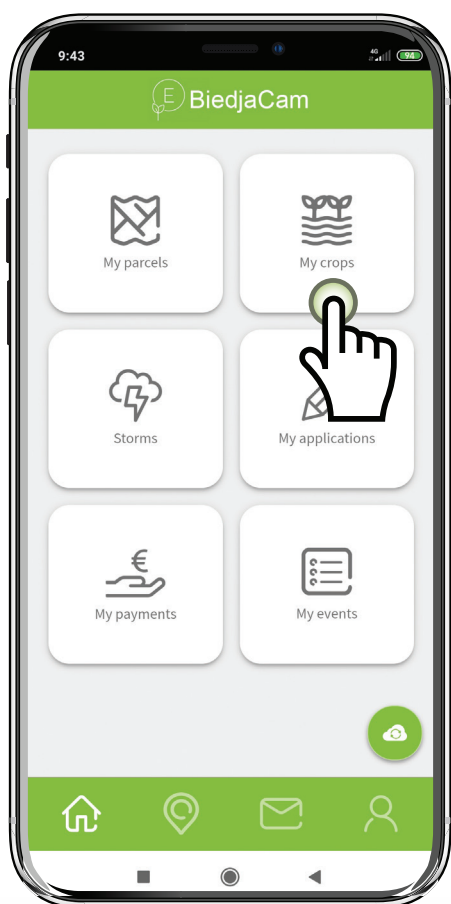
How to compile a crop plan:

A crop plan is mandatory when applying for

- ▶ Eco-Scheme 1: Dedicating parcels to enhance biodiversity and pollination
- ▶ Eco-Scheme 2: Integrated Pest Management
- ▶ Eco-Scheme 3: Encouraging the use of bio-mulch

Taking geotagged photos by BiedjaCam is mandatory for Eco-Schemes 1 and 3, whereas taking photos for Eco-scheme 2 is voluntary.

➔ To compile a crop plan without the need to visit the Agency's offices, go to **My Crops** page.



➔ Add a new crop to the field that is linked with the eco-scheme by clicking on the **plus** sign located on the bottom right side of this page. If the information about the crops is already compiled by ARPA, you can find it from the list. The eligible crops for each scheme can be found in the relevant guidance notes of these schemes published on www.arpa.gov.mt

In the **Add Crop** page, you can select a crop that you have already planted/sowed or planning to plant/sow. During this step, you may also declare the planting date which will automatically generate the harvest date. The harvest date can be easily altered and if required you can also change other details.

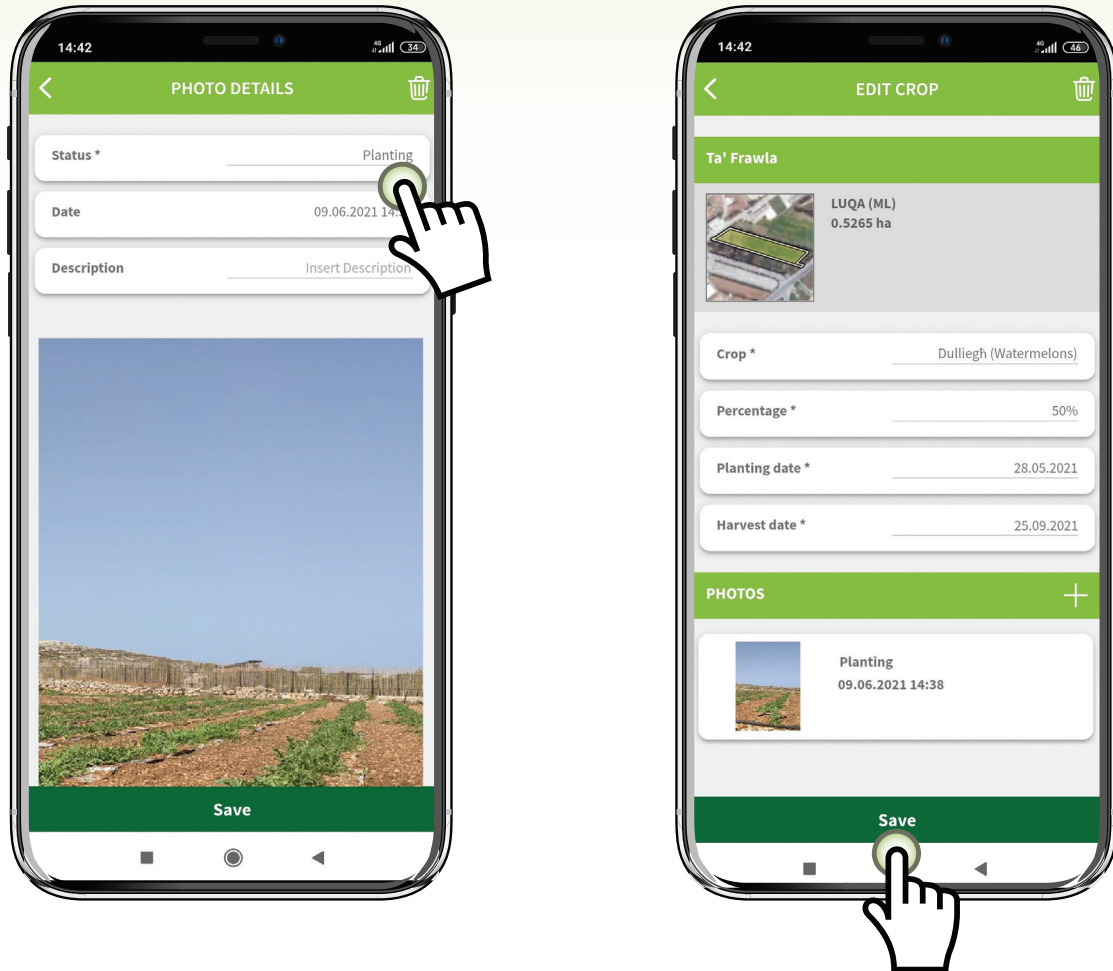
The **magnifying glass** symbol allows you to search using filters such as field name, crop, land use or date.

How to take geotagged photos of the crops:

Photos taken through BiedjaCam are geotagged. After adding the crop, turn on the location (GPS) function on the mobile device, visit the field, and click on the plus sign to take a photo.


Once you are in the camera mode, take the photo/s required under the scheme and declare the growth stage of the crop. Press Save after filling in all the required details.





After submitting the photos, the Agency will be able to verify the photos without the need for on-site inspections. If necessary, this monitoring system allows you to amend the application on time and avoid payment reductions. Through this page, ARPA will be able to verify the photos received. For Eco-Scheme 1, photos of each variety of eligible plants under the scheme which have been sowed in the declared parcel have to be provided, along with photos clearly showing distribution across the parcel. Under Eco-Scheme 3, you are required to send photos showing the use of bio-mulch across the declared parcel.

Campaign	Scheme	Commitment Code	Parcel Code	Crop declared	% cover
2023	ES 2	18659	LQA0 5270 2	DULLIEGH (WATERM)	50



Status
● Pending
 0/1 - Not started


Select option
 Select option

Retake photo

Select crop
 Insert at least one character to start searching

Same as declared

Cancel Apply



Demonstration of the verification of photos received by ARPA

How to take quality photos:

The photos must be of good quality which allow the Agency to make a decision accordingly. Below find some notes to keep in mind when taking photos:

- ▶ Take multiple photos;
- ▶ Make sure that the photo covers the item you are taking a photo of along with the rest of the field;
- ▶ Photos are to be taken at a sufficient distance;
- ▶ Avoid taking photos facing the sun;
- ▶ Avoid taking photos in low light, that is early in the morning or late at night;
- ▶ Take photos from different angles and positions to ensure full coverage of the field.



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