Minimum Tillage

and environmental aspects (permanent - evergreen arable land) in Lower Austria and Vysocina

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Soil erosion and tillage trials measurement sites Lower Austria







Perched water table

in the depression



Interrillerosion

Tulln Conventional drilling gully erosion



$\textbf{SOLUTION} \Rightarrow$

Direct drilling with/without disc harrow in front of seeder

No till drill into straw of winter wheat

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Yellow mustard + California bluebell – Phacelia as cover crops





Seed cover crops into stubbles of winterbarley Hollabrunn Juli 12th 2012





Developement cover crops Hollabrunn 4 weeks after seed









> 70 t organic matter per ha November





Cover crop roller developed and constructed in Lower Austria (Hahnekamp, Rosner)

instead of shredding \Rightarrow lower fuel consumption and more capacity

Roller to squeeze cover crops in fall – reduction of water consumption













Corn directseed with Väderstad Tempo with coulter discs NoTill farm Zaussinger

May 1st 2012









Field emergence Tulin 2012





Field emergence NoTill Farm Zaussinger 2012 **Cooperation Region Vysocina and Lower Austria**



Directseed Corn into straw residues winterrye Humpolec 2012





Silage corn in Glyphosate – sprayed winterrye Humpolec CS

September 2012





Directseed winterrye into yellow mustard + California Bluebell cover crops

Variants

Directseed 03.10.2011
Directseed + Round up 26.09.2011
Knife roller - Directseed 28.09.2011
Knife roller + Round up - Direktsaat
Mulchshredder - Directseed
Mulchshredder + Round uo - Directseed
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Directseed without Round _up____

Coulterdiscs instead of discharrow











Seed winterwheat into legume – cover crops Tulln Oktober 12th 2012 without Glyphosate







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Cambridge roller for pressing the seed into the soil

Field emergence direct drilling winterwheat into legume cover crops without Glyphosate Tulln November 5th2012















Cultivation soybean into stubbles of barley NoTill Brasil











Soil erosion measurement sites Austria





Sediment flow – grassed waterway

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Sample divider

Sedimentcollector

3 % sampled – divided by tubes

Soil loss 2 places Lower Austria 1994 - 2012









Yield in relative % 1994 – 2012 Mistelbach-Pyhra(St.Pölten)-Pixendorf(Tulln)

Rosner, Zwatz, Bartmann, Spieß, Ofner, Deix

Tillage method/ Yield kg per ha	Mistelbach	Pyhra	Pixendorf
Conventional Cultivator – plow No cover crop	100	100	100
Cultivator – Mulchseed – Cover Crop: yellow mustard, california bluebell, buckwheat, red clover, oil radish	96	102	103
direct drilling Cover crop : 7 kg/ha California Bluebell, 3 kg/ha Yellow Mustard	93	109	106
direct drilling cover crop : 80 kg/ha winter rye	89	103	98
Cultivator – direct drilling Cover crop :120 kg/ha summer barley	97	108	112



Net profit tillage trials 5 sites Lower Austria several years





Pixendorf Aggregatte stability



Aggregate stability (SAS) Pixendorf - Tullnerfeld

Better load carrying capacity of the soil \Rightarrow less soil compaction with traffic, no plowpan \Rightarrow better water infiltration during storm events.....



Conventional Tillage

Rut depth profile No Tillage Converntional

No Tillage > 10 years

Conventional Tillage

No Tillage

fuel consumption and CO₂-emission kg/ha 2008 - 2010



Conclusion

•Mulch –and direct –seeding systems are fully developed and and go well in practice.

•The economical benefits and the nutrient – pesticide and soil movement (erosion) reduction in the minimum tillage systems are significant.

•Cereal – maize crop rotation needs a shallow mulch of crop residuals for a fast decomposition as a phytosanitary need.

•The production of Mycotoxins by Fusarium disease (Dry Rot) is to be interrupted by shallow soil tillage and an adopted crop rotation.

•After harvest the growth of volunteer cereals has to be interrupted, they stand for a green bridge for plant diseases like barley yellow dwarf virus or Fusarium sp. and pests like aphids as a vector for the virus.

•An immediat seeding of cover crops after harvest for a good development of the green manure is adviced.

•A reduction of the costs is possible and necessary.

•A prescription is not possible and depends from the crop rotation and natural situation.

Thank you for your attention



Results:

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