



The European Association for Bioindustries

Workshop Environmental Risk Assessment for the cultivation of genetically modified crops

Hotel Silken Berlaymont
Boulevard Charlemagne 11-19
Brussels

Thursday 15th October 2009

9:15 Registration and welcome coffee

10:00 Welcome and introduction by Willy De Greef, EuropaBio Secretary-General
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/00W.D.Greef_Welcome.pdf

10:10 Introduction to EuropaBio's Environmental Risk Assessment Working Group (ERAG) by Silvia Fernandez, ERAG Chair, Monsanto
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/01S.Fernandez_ERAGIntroduction.pdf

Each topic will be introduced by a short presentation followed by Q&A and moderated by Patrick Rüdelsheim, Perseus

Session I: Applicant views and dilemmas on the ERA for cultivation of genetically modified crops

Chair: Filip Cnudde, EuropaBio Green Biotech Manager

10:30 Introduction – Key Concepts in RA
Speaker: Katrina Hayter, Pioneer
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/02K.Hayter_Key_concepts_RA.pdf

11:00 The ERA from an applicant's perspective
Speaker: Christine Wandelt, BASF
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/03C.Wandelt_ERA_applicant.pdf

11:30 Coffee break

11:45 Data generation for the ERA - The tiered approach
Speaker: Silvia Fernandez, Monsanto
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/04S.Fernandez_Data_generation_ERA.pdf

12:15 Discussion



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13:00 Lunch

Continuation Session 1

14:00 Data generation for the ERA -What to test? Selection of NTO species
Speaker: Peter Sowig, Bayer CropScience
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/05P.Sowig_Data_generation_ERA.pdf

14:30 Assessing the risk of insect-resistant GM crops to non-target arthropods
Speaker: Franz Bigler, Agroscope Reckenholz-Tänikon Research Station ART
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/06F.Bigler_RA_GM_crops.pdf

15:00 Discussion

15:30 Coffee break

16:00 EFSA self-tasking working group: Update on the guidance for the assessment of potential impacts of GM plants on non-target organisms
Speaker: Jozsef Kiss, EFSA GMO Panel
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/07J.Kiss_Update_guidance.pdf

16:30 Data generation for the ERA - How do we assess unintended effects? The comparative assessment
Speaker: Monica Garcia-Alonso, Syngenta
http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/08Garcia-Alonso_effects.pdf

17:00 Discussion and concluding remarks by the Chair

18:30 Dinner

End of day one



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8:30 Welcome coffee

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Session II - MS CA review: Experiences to date - What works well, what needs to improve?

Chair: Monica Garcia-Alonso, Syngenta

9:00 Speaker: Adinda de Schrijver, Belgian Biosafety Council

9:30 Speaker: Lucia Roda, Spanish Ministry of Environment, and Rural and Marine Affairs

10:00 Discussion

10:30 Coffee break

Session III – Current challenges for the ERA of GM crops in the EU

Chair: Silvia Fernandez, Monsanto

11:00 Challenges for the applicant: field trials in the EU

Speaker: Esteban Alcalde, Syngenta

http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/11%20E.Alcalde_FT_EU.pdf

11:30 EFSA approach to assessing risks from the cultivation and management of GMOs, herbicide tolerance as a case study

Speaker: Jeremy Sweet, EFSA GMO Panel

http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/12J.Sweet_Impacts_MPs.pdf

12:00 Applications for registration of chemicals (herbicides): The applicant's view

Speaker: Euros Jones, ECPA

http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/13Jones_Registration_PPPs.pdf

12:30 Discussion and concluding remarks by the Chair

13.00 Closing address: Alistair Clemence, Monsanto

13.15 Lunch

End of the meeting