

**PROGRAMME**

**Workshop  
Environmental Risk Assessment for the cultivation  
of genetically modified crops**

**Hotel Silken Berlaymont  
Boulevard Charlemagne 11-19  
Brussels**

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> 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](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](http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/01S.Fernandez_ERAGIntroduction.pdf)

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**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/02Hayter\\_%20Key\\_RA.pdf](http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/02Hayter_%20Key_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](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](http://www.europabio.org/positions/GBE/04S.Fernandez_Data_generation_ERA.pdf)

**12:15 Discussion**

**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](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](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](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](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**

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2009**

**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***

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**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](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](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**