



# 6<sup>th</sup> European Conference of GMO-Free Regions

## Brussels and Ghent, 16<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> September 2010

### Preliminary Programme

(still subject to confirmations, additional speakers and changes)

Thursday 16. September, Brussels, European Parliament

**09:30 – 11:35**

#### **GMOs and GMO-free agriculture - Where do we stand?**

Jill Evans, MEP, Session Moderator	UK
John Dalli, EU Commissioner for Health and Consumer Protection	MA
Benoît Lutgen, Agricultural Minister of Wallonia & GMO-Free Network	BE
José Bové, European Parliament, Agricultural Committee (Vice Chairman)	FR
Dr. Katalin Rodics, on behalf of the State Secretary for Rural Development, Hungary	HU
Andoni García Arriola, Executive Director of COAG, Spanish farmers organization	ES
Rodrigo Gouveia, Euro-Coop, European Consumers Cooperatives	PT
Christopher Stopes, IFOAM EU, International Organic Movement	UK
Jorgo Riss, Greenpeace European Unit	BE

**11:40 – 13:00**

#### **Presentations from Regions**

Brussels	Evelyne Huytebroeck, Environment Minister of the Region of Brussels	BE
	Benoît Cerexhe, Agriculture Minister of the Region of Brussels	BE
Bavaria	Christoph Fischer, "Zivilcourage", farmers and citizens movement, Bavaria	DE
Bulgaria	Ralitsa Katsova, "bg mamma", a network of Bulgarian mothers	BG
Switzerland	Florianne Koechlin, Swiss Working Group on Genetic Engineering	CH
Madeira	Representative of the Island of Madeira	PT
Latvia	Zaneta Mikosa, Parliamentary secretary, Latvian Environment Ministry	LT
Poland	Marek Kryda, Polish Organic Farmers Assotiation and GMO free alliance	PL
	Additional presentations from regional representatives in the audience	

**13:30 – 14:30**

#### **Press conference with Region of Brussels and key participants**

**15:00 – 16:30**

#### **Presentations from different stakeholders and institutions**

Moderator	Martin Häusling, MEP	DE
Animal Feed	Jochen Koester, Traceconsult	CH
Rural Development	Maria Grazia Mammucini, Region of Tuscany, Commission on the Future of Food	IT
Global Food company	Pierre-Alexandre Teulie, Carrefour foundation	FR
Regional Retailer	Sven Euen, Tegut Supermarket	DE
Seed	Heike Schiebeck, Via Campesina, European Seed Network	AT
Science	Christian Vélot (ENSSER)	FR
Farmers Union	Representative of Coldiretti, the Italian Farmers Union	IT

**16:40 – 18:15**

#### **Debate: CAP reform between GM bioeconomy and regional food sovereignty**

Moderator	Benedikt Haerlin, Foundation on Future Farming	DE
Parliament	Georges Lyon, Rapporteur of the EP Initiative report on the CAP reform	FR
Environmental	Liliane Spendeler, Director, Friends of the Earth Spain	ES
Farmer	Andoni García Arriola, Executive Director of COAG, Spanish farmers organization	ES
Organic Movement	Sir Peter Melchett, Policy Director, Soil Association	UK
Development	Hans Herren, IAASTD	CH/US
Consumer/Health	Carlo Petrini, Slow Food	IT

**18:15 – 18:30**

#### **Conclusions**

19:30 – 22:00

City Hall, Grande Place, Reception by the City of Brussels  
Maire of Bruxelles, Agriculture / Environment Minister, Vandana Shiva and other speakers. Invitation to celebrities and interested participants from the City and the EU

