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The Italian situation

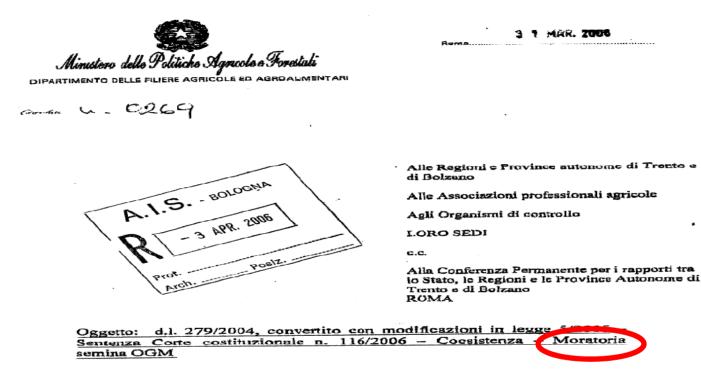
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GMO 'official' situation



- No consensus among key ministers on GMOs
- State-Regions technical agreement on coex, currently waiting for a political settlement
- •Coex technical guidelines (issued on Oct. 2007) as a baseline for regional coex measures
 - Field trials in a deadlock

GMO-free Regions in Italy



- •A static situation: no evolution in the number of GMO-free regions foreseen
 - •The North-East (white) concern: the main maize area

The 2007
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consultation on
GMOs
and the
Agro-food
model







The ITALIA-EUROPA LIBERI DA OGM Coalition

An assemblage to reconsider







































































32 Organisations

- Organic and conventional farmers' organisations
- ,Ag. cooperatives
- Small-medium food industries
- Cooperative retailers
- Solidarity and civil society organisations
- •Env. organisations
- Consumers' organisations
- International cooperation NGOs

The quicksand paradigm





"Come on, faster, this is pathetic lads"

The more you move the more you sink?

A matter of (no) discussion



7th Conference of the European GMO-Free Regions Network

17-19th June 2009 - Urbino, Marche

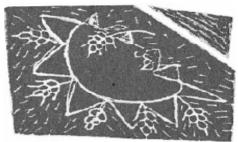




Piero della Francesca
Diptych of the Dukes
of Urbino

(1465-1466)

G8 Agriculture Ministers' Meeting Parallel CSOs' initiatives



Comitato Italiano per la Sovranità Alimentare



STATEMENT

by the Italian Committee for Food Sovereignty and the Italian Coalition Against Poverty - GCAP Italy

(...)

On this basis, we ask Agricultural Ministers of G8 Countries:

1. to invest in and support a family farm model of agriculture based on agro-ecological principles with priority given to local markets and a right of access to natural resources and their management by local food producers, which will provide social and environmental sustainability. That also means excluding inappropriate technologies, starting with an immediate moratorium on GMOs;

(...)

A new FAO World Food Summit scheduled for next November in Rome





A relevant meeting in a 'food&democracy' perspective:
•Global governance on food and agriculture
•Ag. research to be reshaped with a 'Rome focus' (?)

Food sovereignty organisations to convene parallel initiatives