



# GMO-free Europe 2012

**7th GMO-free Regions Conference**  
**5<sup>th</sup> September, 09:30 – 18:00 European Parliament, Brussels**  
**József Antall Building, Room JAN 6Q2, 4th floor**

TIME	
08:00	<b>Access and Registration</b>
09:30	<b>Opening speeches by organizers and sponsors</b>  <b>“GMOs and GMO-free agriculture - where do we stand?”</b> Benny Haerlin (Save Our Seeds) , José Bové (MEP)
9:45	<b>National bans on GMO cultivation - how to get it right?</b>  <b>Round table and joint debate with the audience</b> Eric Poudalet (Director “Safety of the food chain” DG SANCO) , Corinne Lepage (MEP) , Paul- Bertrand Barets (diplomatic advisor to french environmental minister) , Mahi Sideridou (Greenpeace EU), <i>Moderation: Bart Staes</i>
10:50	<b><i>Intermezzo I: Why honeybees need GMO free Europe and how bee-keepers have changed the co-existence debate</i></b>  A message from bee-keepers Thomas Radezki (Mellifera) and Walter Haefeker (European Association of beekeepers)
11:05	<b>Upcoming GMO approvals and the state of risk assessment</b>  <b>An overview on the first 10 years of EFSA and GMO risk assessment</b> Eric Poudalet (Director “Safety of the food chain” DG SANCO), Catherine Geslain-Lanéelle (executive director of EFSA), Elisabeth Waigmann (EFSA biotech expert) , Christoph Then (testbiotech) , Paul Holmbeck (IFOAM) , <i>Moderation: Carl Schlyter</i>
12:15	<b><i>Intermezzo II: Don’t call me GMO no more! Will “Cisgenetics” and other GMO-mutations reframe the GMO debate?</i></b>  Short introduction to new semantics and technologies, Eric Meunier (Inf’ OGM)
12:30	<b>Lunch break</b>  <i>Open space for relaxing and more intimate information exchanges</i> <i>Room ASP 1G3 (Open: 12:30 – 15:00)</i>



**15:00 How “roundup ready” is Europe’s agricultural policy?**

**Homemade leguminous plants and a ban of meat factories would effectively bring EU GMO imports to an end**

Martin Haeusling (MEP) , Alina Ujupan (member of Ciolos Cabinet) , Sofia Gatica (Goldman Price winner, Argentina) , Heike Moldenhauer (FoE),  
*Moderation: Antje Koelling (IFOAM)*

**16:20 Intermezzo III: Greetings from USA, India and China**

Overview of the GMO situation in America and Asia  
Debbie Barker (Centre for Food Safety, USA) , Rajesh Krishnan (Greenpeace, India)

**16:50 Conclusions and take home message from participants**

Special greetings from:  
- Good Food March  
- GMO-free Donau Soja Symposium (Vienna, Austria): Matthias Krön, Chairman of the Danube Soya Association  
- European GMO-free Regions Network (Erfurt, Germany)  
*Moderation: Steve Emmott (British lawyer)*

**18:00 END  
Reception offered by MEPs**