

The risk evaluation of GMOs a debate between EFSA and independent scientists

Seminar organised by MEPs Corinne Lepage and George Lyon (ALDE)

Wednesday, 12 January 2011, 14:30 - 18:00 European Parliament, Room PHS 7C50 rue Wiertz, Brussels

AGENDA

- 14.30 Introduction by MEPs **Corinne Lepage** and **George Lyon** on the legal framework for GMOs and the new EFSA guidelines on the evaluation of health and environmental risks of GMOs
- 14.45 How are GMOs assessed and approved in the USA a comparative perspective

Professor Martina Newell-McGloughlin, University of California, Davis

15.00 Panel I - The evaluation of risks of GMOs for the environment

Karine Lheureux, Senior Scientific Officer, EFSA GMO Unit

Angelika Hilbeck, Senior Researcher, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, President of the European Network of Scientists for Social and Environmental Responsibility (ENSSER)

Panel debate and questions from MEPs and the audience

16.00 Panel II - The evaluation of risks of GMOs for food and feed

Professor **Gilles-Eric Séralini**, University of Caen, President of the scientific council of the Committee of Independent Research and Information on Genetic Engineering (CRIIGEN)

Claudia Paoletti, Senior Scientific Officer, EFSA GMO Unit

Panel debate and questions from MEPs and the audience

- 17:00 General debate
- 17.30 Speech by John Dalli, EU Commissioner for Health and Consumer Policy
- 17.45 Concluding words by MEPs Corinne Lepage and George Lyon
- 18.00 Cocktail reception