INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

ASSESSMENT AND REGULATION OF GMOs AND PESTICIDES

CONTEXT
Participatory Research Project

WHEN
November 12th & 13th

WHERE
Centre scientifique d’Orsay
South of Paris
Bâtiment 338 (Bâtiment des Colloques) rue du Doyen André Guinier
Salle de conférences (103 – 1er étage) - 91400 Orsay - France

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SCHEDULE
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12th
1:00 P.M.-6:30 P.M.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13th
8:00 A.M.-6:15 P.M.

PARTNERS
This conference, opened to the civil society, is organized as part of a participatory research project on the subject of substantial equivalence, on which is based the evaluation of all agricultural GMOs in the World. This project, funded by the Region Ile-de-France, involves University Paris-Sud (UPSud), the association “Générations Futures” and the Committee for independent research and information on genetic engineering (Criigen). It is coordinated by Dr. Christian Vélot, molecular geneticist at the UPSud and Vice-President of Criigen, and François Veillerette, spokesman of Générations Futures.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 12TH AFTERNOON – 1:00-6:30 P.M.

1:00 p.m. - Welcome

1:30-2:00 p.m. - Introductions
- Christian Vélot, Scientific coordinator of the participatory research project and Conference
- Étienne Augé, Vice-President of UPSud in charge of Research and Development,
- Marc Lipinski, Regional councillor of the Region Ile-de-France, ex Vice-President of the Regional Council in charge of Universities and Research
- François Veillerette, Coordinator for civil society of the participatory research project
- Joël Spiroux de Vendomois, President of Criigen

2:00-4:00 p.m. - Scientific session 1 — Substantial equivalence
Moderator: Dr Robin Mesnage, King’s College, London, UK

- 2:00-2:30 – Dr. Christian Vélot, UPSud, Orsay, France
  Experimental data on Roundup applied on a soil microorganism: why does it challenge the substantial equivalence principle?

- 2:30-3:00 - Dr. Thomas Bohn, GenØk, Tromsø, Norway
  Glyphosate contamination of GM soy to food and feed chains

- 3:00-3:30 - Pr. Rubens Nodari, University of Santa Catarina, Florianopolis, Brazil
  Comparative proteomic and GMO biohazard do not support the substantial equivalence

3:30-4:00 - Questions — Exchange with the public

4:00-4:15 p.m. - Coffee Break

4:15-6:15 p.m. – Roundtable 1 — Participatory Research
Moderator: Nadine Lauverjat, Générations Futures, France

François Veillerette (Générations Futures, France); Dr. Isabelle Goldringer (Research director Inra, Fondation Science Citoyennes, France); Pr. Louise Vandelac (Institute of Environmental Science and Sociology Department, UQAM, Canada); Dr. Marc Lipinski (Research director CNRS, Regional councillor of Region Ile-de-France)
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH MORNING – 8:30 A.M.-12:45 P.M.

8:00 a.m. - Welcome

8:30-10:30 a.m. - Scientific session 2 — Toxicological assessment of GMOs and pesticides
Moderator: Dr. Christian Vélot, UPSud, Orsay, France

- 8:30-9:00 - Pr. Gilles-Eric Séràlini, University of Caen-Basse Normandie, Caen, France
  Twenty years of pesticides in GMOs

- 9:00-9:30 – Dr. Robin Mesnage, King’s college, London, UK
  Toxic effects of glyphosate-based herbicides at admissible levels

- 9:30-10:00 – Dr. Jean-Baptiste Fini, National Museum of Natural History, Paris, France
  Embryonic Xenopus as a model for testing potential thyroid disrupting pesticides.

10:00-10:30 - Questions — Exchange with the public

10:30-10:45 a.m. - Coffee break

10:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m. - Roundtable 2 — Regulation of GMOs and pesticides: changes in standards / assessment
Moderator: Hervé Kempf (journalist)

Corinne Lepage (ex Minister and European Deputy, France); Dr. Christoph Then (TestBiotech, Germany); Arnaud Apoteker (ex Greenpeace and GMO advisor to the Green group in the European Parliament, France); Hans Muilerman (Pesticide Action Network Europe, Netherlands); Dominique Gombert (Director of risk assessment, ANSES, France)

12:45 p.m.-02:00 p.m. – Lunch (on site)
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH AFTERNOON – 2:00-6:15 P.M.

2:00 – 4:00 p.m. - Scientific session 3 — Impact of GMOs and pesticides on microbes and soils
Moderator: Dr. Nicolas Defarge, Université de Caen-Basse Normandie, Caen, France

- 2:00-2:30 - Dr. Caroline Amiel, University of Caen-Basse Normandie, Caen, France
  *Food, micro-organisms and pesticides*

- 2:30-3:00 - Dr Johann Zaller, University of Natural Ressources and Life Sciences, Vienna, Austria
  *Effects of glyphosate-based herbicides on soil biology*

- 3:00-3:30 - Dr Andras Szekacs, Agro-Environmental Research Institute, Budapest, Hungary
  *The effect of Bt toxins (Bt GMO) on the soil*

3:30-4:00 - Questions — Exchange with the public

4:00-4:15 p.m. - Coffee break

4:15-6:15 p.m. - Roundtable 3 — Future of agriculture and food
Moderator: Hervé Kempf

François Dufour (Vice-President of the Regional Council of Basse-Normandie in charge of agriculture, France) ; Dr. Joël Spiroux de Vendomois (MD, specialist in environmental health issues, France) ; Pr. Marc Dufumier (Agronom, AgroParisTech, France) ; Maria Pelletier (CEO of « Moulin Marion », France)