Question for written answer E-013730/2015 to the Commission Rule 130 Dario Tamburrano (EFDD), Rosa D'Amato (EFDD) and Marco Zullo (EFDD)

Subject: GMO crop information panels

Panels bearing the names of multinational companies or big agri-chemical concerns can be seen in many arable fields in Italy.

However, these information panels give no details of the type of crop being grown.

Since the multinationals concerned often produce authorised semi-hybrid or GMO crops, does the Commission not feel that, on the basis of the much-trumpeted principle of coexistence and to safeguard organic crops, it should take action to ensure that rules are adopted on developing a standard with which all Member States must comply, requiring farmers growing GMO crops to install clearly-visible information panels showing details of the crop, rather than those currently being used in some parts of Europe?

Can the Commission provide precise information on any legislative initiatives that may already be in the pipeline?

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