

Committee on Legal Affairs

Public Hearing of the Committee on Legal Affairs with the participation of the
Committee on Agricultural and Rural Development on

**‘Intellectual Property Law and the Implementation of the Biotech Directive:
Current Issues and Future Developments’**

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Draft Programme

- 15:00-15:10 Welcome by Pavel Svoboda, Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs and by Czesław Adam Siekierski, Chair of the Committee on Agricultural and Rural Development
- 15:10-15:25 Commission Notice on certain articles of Directive 98/44/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on the legal protection of biotechnological inventions
- ❖ *Jean-Luc Gal, Legal and Policy Affairs Officer – Intellectual Property and Fight Against Counterfeiting, DG Growth*
- 15:25-15:35 Patentability of products emanating from essentially biological processes: developments in the Enlarged Board of Appeal of the European Patent Office State
- ❖ *Margot Fröhlinger, Principal Director, Patent Law and Multilateral Affairs, EPO*
- 15:35-15:55 Questions and Answers
- 15:55-16:00 Closing remarks by Pavel Svoboda, Chair of the Committee on Legal Affairs