

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT, PUBLIC HEALTH AND FOOD SAFETY

PUBLIC HEARING

**“New GM techniques in the food sector:
impacts on health and the environment?”**
Brussels, European Parliament, Room ANTALL 2Q2 & via Interactio
10 May 2021, 13.45 - 15.45

DRAFT PROGRAMME

- 13:45 - 13:50** **Welcome and opening remarks** by **Pascal Canfin**, Chair of the Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI)
- 13:50 - 14:00** Presentation by the European Commission of its study on 'novel genomic techniques'
- 14:00 - 14:50** **Panel 1 - Understanding new GM techniques and their impact on health and environment**
(Chair: Pascal Canfin, ENVI Chair)
- 14:00 - 14:10 What is GM and what are the health risks? (10')
Dr. Michael Antoniou, Reader in Molecular Genetics - King's College London
- 14:10 - 14:20 New GM techniques and the environment: a broader perspective (10')
Dr. Margret Engelhard, Head of Division - Federal Agency for Nature Conservation, Germany (BfN)
- 14:20 - 14:50 Q&A session with Members
- 14:50 - 15:40** **Panel 2 - GM techniques and sectoral impact**
(Chair: Pascal Canfin, ENVI Chair)
- 14:50 - 15:00 New GM techniques: the consumers' point of view (10')
Ms. Iris Strutzmann, Austrian Chamber of Labour, affiliated Member of BEUC
- 15:00 - 15:10 Biotechnology, Food Security, and the Environment (10')
Prof. Dr. Matin Qaim, Chair of International Food Economics and Rural Development, University of Göttingen, Germany
- 15:10 - 15:40 Q&A session with Members
- 15:40 - 15:45 Closing statement by ENVI Chair