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A9-0014/96

Amendment 96

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Plants obtained by certain new genomic techniques and their food and feed
(COM(2023)0411 – C9-0238/2023 – 2023/0226(COD))

Proposal for a regulation

Recital 1 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

***(1a) So-called New Genomic
Techniques are in fact GMOs, as they are
indeed organisms that are nonetheless
genetically modified.***

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Recital 2 a (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(2a) Resilience and adaptation in agricultural ecosystems are to be found through the application of agro-ecological practices, restoring these ecosystems, improving soil health, supporting farmers and supporting the rural economy. While the use of genetically modified crops, including NGTs, may give the impression of resilience and adaptation, it actually undercuts the very basis of its resilience, by ignoring how ecosystems work and locking farmers into intensive agricultural practices.

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(3a) The Farm to Fork strategy for a fair, healthy and environmentally-friendly food system was a signal to our farming communities for a just transition towards an ecological and safe food system, away from the toxic-dependent, polluting and intensive system which predominates across the Union. The Commission has still not adopted the promised proposal for a legislative framework for sustainable food systems, while it has sped ahead with a legislative proposal which deregulates GMOs. This is an unfair political move for our farming communities and sends the wrong signal to the farmers who are already investing in more sustainable practices.

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Proposal for a regulation

Recital 3 b (new)

Text proposed by the Commission

Amendment

(3b) This proposal risks further domination of multinational seed companies over farmers' access to seeds, by patenting breeding techniques and their outputs. Big corporations already hold a monopoly of seeds and are gaining more control over natural resources to the exclusion of farmers. This clearly disempowers farmers, makes them dependent on private companies, and compromises biodiversity.

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Recital 4 a (new)

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Amendment

(4a) Union policy in the area of the environment is legally obliged to be based on the precautionary principle, as enshrined in Article 191 of the TEU. The same article obliges Union policy in this area to aim for a high level of protection. This proposal disrespects the precautionary principle by sanctioning the use of so-called NGTs when their risks are unknown and could be catastrophic, and clearly aims for a lower level of protection for consumers and the environment, by deregulating GMOs and indeed removing traceability and labelling requirements, which are so important to consumers.

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Amendment

(4b) There are clearly concerns regarding claim verification and quality controls over new breeds, for example regarding who will verify the claims that seed companies are making about their NGT seeds, such as drought-resistance, and how the scientific rigour of those claims could possibly be measured. This proposal paves the way for false and misleading claims that will facilitate the selling of false silver bullet solutions.

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