

**Question for written answer E-003365/2021
to the Commission**
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Subject: Genetically modified food

The pressure on the Commission to authorise GM food in the EU in the future is steadily increasing. This is unconscionable for consumers, the economy and farmers alike.

1. The EU has been working on the Green Deal for some time now. It provides for strict rules and penalties for individual consumers. To what extent does the Commission consider that this can be reconciled with genetically modified food, which has little to do with anything 'green'?
2. Farmers in the EU face increasing difficulties, such as excessively low prices or mass exports of meat, etc. from third countries. How does the Commission intend to ensure that they are not further adversely affected by the authorisation of GM food?
3. For consumers, it is already an almost unacceptable imposition that they can barely discern where their food comes from. The authorisation of genetically modified food would further aggravate this situation. How does the Commission intend to prevent this?