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Thuringia Parliament  
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Thuringia Ministry of Social,  
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## IX. Conference of EUROPEAN GMO-FREE REGIONS NETWORK

**“GMO-free” label  
– What is in it?**

**5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> September 2012**

**Welcome to the “Green Heart” of  
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Thuringia invites you to attend the  
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## IX. Conference of the EUROPEAN GMO-FREE REGIONS NETWORK "GMO-free" label – What is in it?

### Agenda:

All speeches will be translated into English, German, French and Italian.  
After each speech, you will have an opportunity to briefly discuss the issues.

### Wednesday, 5<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Registration from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

8:30 - 10:00 a.m. Steering Committee Meeting

*Members only*

#### 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. Opening

Birgit Diezel

Chairwoman of the State Parliament of Thuringia

Paolo Petrini

President of the European GMO-free Regions Network, Region Marche

Dr. Hartmut Schubert

State Secretary of the Ministry of Social Affairs, Family and Health of the state Thuringia

#### 11:30 a.m. - 0:10 p.m. TOP 1: GMO-Labeling:

##### Consumer aspects and monitoring

Rosario Trefiletti

President, National Consumers' association, Italy  
"NO to GMOs, YES to respecting nature"

Dr. Ralph Walther

Managing Director, Consumers' Association of Thuringia  
„Genetic engineering and food – What consumers want to know“

00:10 - 01:45 p.m. Lunch

#### 01:45 - 03:00 p.m. TOP 1: GMO Labelling: Consumer aspects and monitoring

Stephan Schäfer

Scientific Assistant, University Bayreuth, Research Centre for German and European Food Law  
"The German "No-GMO regulation" as legal consumer fraud?"

Dr. Hans-Georg Starck

Ministry of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Areas of the State Schleswig-Holstein

„Official seed monitoring as an effective tool for detecting GMO contaminations at the beginning of the food chain.“

Jörg Schulte-Domhof

Ministry of Climate Protection, Environment, Agriculture, Nature Conservation and Consumer Protection of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia

"Food and feed control activities in North Rhine-Westphalia"

Dr. Bernd Broschewitz

Ministry of Agriculture, Environment and Consumer Protection of the State Mecklenburg-West Pomerania

"Monitoring of seed potatoes for genetically modified contents and coexistence measures for cultivation"

03:00 - 03:45 p.m. Coffee break

#### 03:45 - 05:30 p.m. TOP 2: Aspects of GMO cultivation and coexistence

Carla Lazzarotto and Dr. Francesca Donnarumma

Tuscany Region

"Development of a quick monitoring index as a tool to assess environmental impacts of transgenic crops: The Life and DEMETRA project. Delineation of an analysis method as an opportunity for the regional government"

Anja Sobczak

Umweltinstitut München e.V.

"Out of control - risks of the genetic engineering"

Dr. Francesca Donnarumma

Postdoc, National Research Council, Plant Genetics Institute, Division of Florence

"COST Action FP0905: Biosafety of forest transgenic trees.

Description of a GM trees data base"

Peter Röhrig,

Deputy Manager, Bund Ökologische Lebensmittelwirtschaft (BÖLW)

"The expensive impossibility of coexistence"

### Thursday, 06<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Registration from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.

#### 9:00 - 10:45 a.m. TOP 3: Non GMO-Labeling in the European Union

Anne Patault und Renaud Layadi

Region Brittany

"Common non-GMO label policy"

Alexander Hissting

Office Manager, Verband Lebensmittel ohne Gentechnik e.V.  
„EU wide GMO-free labelling – learning from national experiences“

Sven Euen

Quality Manager, tegut

„Market development of products marked with "GMO-free" at tegut“

Jochen Dettmer

Manager, NEULAND e.V.

„Experiences gathered with the NEULAND-Quality meat programme with especially humane keeping of animals carrying the "Non-GMO" label“

10:45- 11:15 a.m. Coffee break

#### 11:15 a.m. - 00:45 p.m. Panel discussion

How much regional scope for action is needed for GMO-free products in Europe?

Ladislav Miko, Deputy Director, Directorate-General for Health and Consumers of the EC (requested)

Dr. H.-Christoph von Heydebrand, Head of Unit, New Technologies, Federal Ministry of Food, Agriculture, and Consumer Protection.

Paolo Petrini, President, European GMO-free Regions Network  
Horst Becker (Bündnis 90/Die Grünen), Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry for Climate Protection, Environment, Agriculture, Nature Conservation and Consumer Protection of the State of North Rhine-Westphalia

Heike Taubert (SPD), Minister, Ministry of Social Affairs, Family and Health of the State Thuringia

If required, representatives of the Thuringian State Parliament

#### 00:45 - 01:00 p.m. Summary of the Conference

#### 01:00 - 01:30 p.m. Press Conference

01:30 - 02:00 p.m. Lunch break

02:00 - 06:00 p.m. Juice factory tour of

Fahner Frucht GmbH

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