



Message to the Commission

- ! **No deregulation:** We ask you to implement the current GMO regulation for both ‘old’ and ‘new’ GMOs. All GMOs must be subject to risk assessment, traceability, and GMO labelling. Any weakening of the current regulations would jeopardise our health and the environment.
- ! **Precautionary principle:** The precautionary principle must be applied in accordance with the EU Court of Justice ruling. The risks and threats of these new technologies are too important to put our future at stake.
- ! **Right to know:** As farmer, consumer, retailer, or processor we have the right to know where GMOs are. Without traceability and GMO labelling it is not possible to ensure GMO-free supply chains and enable informed choices for all actors.
- ! **Organic and biodynamic farming:** If GMOs are no longer subject to traceability and labelling requirements, the organic and biodynamic food supply chain will be at risk. We need to know where GMOs are and make sure GMOs do not contaminate our harvests and products. That is why any move to deregulate GMOs is a direct threat to the EU’s target of reaching a share of 25% organic farming on the EU’s farmland.
- ! **Solutions exist:** Organic and biodynamic farming show that sustainable solutions exist to tackle the challenges linked to climate change. Instead of promoting GMOs, we should focus on already existing solutions and support them further.
- ! **Research funding:** It is important to invest in research to develop detection methods for products of “new genomic techniques” and to investigate further their impact on the environment and health. Only independent research will help us assess the inherent risks of these techniques.