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Invitation to an Online Policy Workshop on the Proposed New EU Regulation on the Production and Marketing of Seeds and other Plant Reproductive Material (PRM)

Thursday, 17 October 2024 14:00-18:00 and Friday, 18 October 2024 09:30-13:30 (CET)

We invite you to an online workshop on the current status of the negotiations on the proposed new PRM regulation, hosted by Arche Noah, the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights, and the European Coordination Let's Liberate Diversity.

The aim of the workshop is to provide cultivated plant diversity actors and peasant organisations with information on the current state of the political process, and to foster effective action and collaboration by these actors to advocate for a regulation that protects and promote diversity and the implementation of the right to food and the right to seeds recognised in the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Peasants and Other People Working in Rural Areas (UNDROP).

The workshop will entail a mixture of presentations and discussions in plenary and break out groups. There will be translation provided from **English to French and German**.

Please be aware that the presentations and discussions on Thursday will be the basis of the work on Friday.

Please register using this link by 7 October 2024:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZwpc-2upzMiG9OjNwZhrIdOIHVj6NgS8-IN#/registration>

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If you have any questions, please contact: seedpolicy@arche-noah.at



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Programme Outline (provisional, subject to change)

Thursday 17 October 14:00 – 18:00 (CET)

- Welcome and introductions (ARCHE NOAH)
- Update on the political landscape in Brussels after the EU election (Fulya Batur, Kybele)
- Review of what we have (and have not) achieved so far (ARCHE NOAH)
- Break out groups: Sharing experiences of work on the EU PRM regulation and the positions of the Member States (Everyone, **moderators welcome!**)
- Proposed EU PRM Regulation and the right to food and the right to seeds in UNDROP, and the European Citizens' Initiative for the Right to Food (Christophe Golay and Karine Peschard, Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights; Fulya Batur, Kybele)
- New GMOs: Update on proposed deregulation and lessons learned in the Council (Clara Behr, Biodynamic Federation Demeter International)

Friday 18 October 9:30 – 13:30 (CET)

- Proposed EU PRM Regulation: Update on the situation in the Council of Agriculture Ministers (Fulya Batur, Kybele)
- Break out groups: Identifying the best arguments and potential alliances to achieve our goals (Everyone, **moderators welcome!**)
- Break out groups: Working together – the way forward? (Everyone, **moderators welcome!**)

