

NETWORK ON RISK ASSESSMENT OF GMOs

21st meeting



4-5 June 2026

14:00-18:00 / 09:00-13:00

AGENDA

Location: EFSA - Parma (Board Room M10A-M10B) and Webconference

Chair: Ana Afonso

Day 1, 4 June 2026 – 14.00-18.00

Time	No.	Item	Presenter
14.00	1	Welcome and Apologies for absence	Head of NIF Unit, EFSA
	2	Adoption of agenda	Head of NIF Unit, EFSA
	3	Agreement of the minutes of the 20th meeting of the Network on risk assessment of GMOs held on 24 November 2025.¹	Head of NIF Unit, EFSA
TOPICS			
14.15	4	Taking Stock: Stacked GM Events	Sciensano (Belgium) VIB (Belgium)
15.30	5	Self-Task mandate on a scientific statement regarding the assessment of GM plants containing stacked transformation events obtained by conventional crossing of genetically modified plants with one or several transformation event(s) (LINK to mandate)	EFSA
16.15		<i>Coffee break - networking (30 min)</i>	
16.45	6	Mandate on 'Request to provide scientific and technical assistance for a regular horizon scanning to assess new scientific data on plants, animals, microorganisms and products thereof obtained by new genomic techniques' (LINK to mandate) – an update	EFSA
17.05	7	Update on the 'Explanatory note on the determination of newly expressed protein levels in the context of genetically modified plant applications for EU market authorisation' (LINK to document)	EFSA
17.30	8	Summary of Day 1	Head of NIF Unit, EFSA - All
18.00		<i>End of the first day</i>	

¹Available at <https://www.efsa.europa.eu/en/events/20th-meeting-gmo-network>



Day 2, 5 June 2026 – 09.00-13.00

Time	No.	Item	Presenter
09.00	9	Welcome back and confirmation of attendance	Head of NIF Unit, EFSA
Updates from Member States			
09.10	10	Developments in plant cell agriculture and their relevance for food safety and traceability	The Netherlands (Wageningen Food Safety Research (part of Wageningen University and Research))
09.40	11	GMO Definition Roadmap - status update by NL	The Netherlands (National Institute for Public Health and the Environment)
10.00	12	Update on GMOs/NGT activities from Member States	All
10.30	<i>Coffee break - networking (30 min)</i>		
11.00	13	Feedback received from MS on 'Updated knowledge for selection of whole food and feed inclusion rates in 90-day studies'	EFSA
11.15	14	Mandate for assessment of additional information related to the application for authorisation of food and feed containing, consisting of and produced from genetically modified oilseed rape MS11 submitted under Regulation (EC) No 1829/2003 (EFSA-GMO-BE-2016-138) (LINK to mandate)	EFSA
11.35	15	EC roadmap for phasing out animal testing	EFSA
11.50	16	Post-market monitoring (PMM) of GM food and feed	EFSA
12.10	17	Update from European Commission	European Commission
12.25	18	Any Other Business	Head of NIF Unit, EFSA - All
13.00	<i>Closure of the meeting</i>		