

Euroseeds calls on ENVI Committee to support NGT trilogue agreement

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As the European Parliament's Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI) prepares to vote on the New Genomic Techniques (NGTs) Regulation on 28 January, Euroseeds underlines the importance of maintaining the compromise for a smooth adoption of the file.

The European Parliament's Committee on Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI) will vote on the compromise text of the Regulation on New Genomic Techniques (NGTs) on 28 January. This vote is a critical step towards the final adoption of a forward-looking EU legislation for plant breeding innovation in the EU.

Following the positive conclusion of trilogue negotiations in December 2025 which delivered a compromise that preserves the principle approach of the Commission's proposal to distinguish between different categories of NGT-derived plant products, Euroseeds strongly urges ENVI Committee members to support this text as agreed and pave the way for the use of these latest breeding methods by Europe's breeders and farmers.

Any further delay in the adoption of the file would have significant negative consequences: European plant breeders and seed companies would lose competitiveness, farmers would be denied timely access to innovative, climate-resilient crop varieties, and consumers would miss out on improved products for the next decade or more. Ultimately, this would severely impact Europe's food security and resilience.

Garlich von Essen, Secretary General and CEO of Euroseeds, stated: *"The agreement reached at the end of last year was a decisive step forward. The text does not reflect entirely the positions of the plant breeding and seed sector; but it provides the basis to finally enable innovation in EU agriculture. Reopening the text in Parliament would create uncertainty and delay benefits that farmers, breeders and society urgently need. We therefore call on Members of the European Parliament's COMENVI to approve the text as it stands and enable Europe to move forward and catch-up with the rest of the world."*

Euroseeds reiterates its readiness to continue working constructively with EU institutions and regulators to support the effective and timely implementation of the NGT Regulation, ensuring that its full potential for European agriculture, competitiveness and food security can be realised as quickly as possible.



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