



**THE NEW GMO DEBATE:
A CLASH BETWEEN LEGISLATIONS**
SYMPOSIUM - 2 OCTOBER 2008 - THE HAGUE - THE NETHERLANDS

Programme

COGEM Symposium

2 October 2008

Het Spaansche Hof - The Hague

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- 12.30 hrs **Registration and coffee**
- 13.00 hrs **Opening by symposium chair**
Prof.dr.ir. Bastiaan Zoeteman, chairman COGEM
- 13.05 hrs **Welcome**
Drs. Hugo von Meijenfeldt, director International Affairs of the Ministry of Housing Spatial Planning and the Environment
- 13.15 hrs **Introduction**
Prof. dr. Frans Brom, Rathenau Institute, chairman COGEM subcommittee Ethics and Societal Aspects
- 13.30 hrs **Definitions in the EU and in the Biosafety Protocol**
Prof. mr. drs. Piet van der Meer, HORIZONS sprl, Belgium
- 14.00 hrs **The Canadian Federal Regulatory Framework for Products of Biotechnology - a Products-Based Approach**
Dr. Stephen Yarrow, Plant biosafety office, Canada
- 14:30 hrs **Break**
- 15:00 hrs **Possibilities and impossibilities of the supply chain**
Ir. George Lubbe, former Business Unit Manager Nutreco, The Netherlands
- 15.30 hrs **Policy challenges in the context of GM plants and food in Europe**
Dr. Rolf Meyer, Institut für Technikfolgenabschätzung und Systemanalyse (ITAS), Germany
- 16.00 hrs **Discussion**
- 17.00 hrs Drinks



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