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Please register, thank you.

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Dear Commissioner Andriukaitis,

We are a group of students from Wageningen University and Research. Currently, we are working on a paper aimed at elucidating different standpoints around Novel Plant Breeding Techniques (NPBTs), in particular CRISPR/Cas, and their placement under the scope of the existing, strict GMO legislation after the European Court of Justice's ruling on novel mutagenesis techniques in July this year. We would be very thankful if You may provide us with some insights in the present positioning of the Commission around (NPBTs).

We are very much interested in whether the European Commission, in response, fosters any plans on proposing amendments to the existing GMO legislation, or whether the case is now settled from the Commission's standpoint and there will not be any legislative revisions. We would be very thankful for a short statement about the issue and the plans of the Commission concerning the regulative effort of NPBTs, especially with regards to CRISPR/Cas and other mutagenesis techniques. Moreover, planned amendments to the GMO legislative landscape in the EU as a whole, if foreseeable, would be of interest as well: What is the direction that the EU wants to take, what is the Commission's shared standpoint, if consensus exists, and what are the plans to get authorisation procedures for GM-crops, and now NPBT-edited crops, out of the present gridlock?

We want to thank You in advance for Your time and considerations and are looking forward to Your response.

Yours sincerely,