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GMO autorisations

EU Position:

[Out of Scope] - On 25 July 2018, the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU) ruling in C528/16 concluded that organisms obtained by means of new mutagenesis techniques fall within the scope of the EU GMO legislation.

US Position:

[Out of Scope]
In the meeting with Commissioner Andriukaitis on 5 September, Ted Kinney (U.S. under Secretary of Agriculture for Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs) expressed concerns about the CJEU ruling C528/16, stating that EU is expected to better reflect on the impact of the ruling and realise that EU legislation needs to change.

Key Points to make:

- [Out of Scope]
- The European Court of Justice provided important clarification on the scope of application of the GMO legislation in relation to organisms obtained by mutagenesis techniques. As the result of the ruling, the GMO legislation is applicable to organisms obtained by new mutagenesis techniques.
- Operators in and outside the EU remain responsible for ensuring that products which are placed on the market are safe and comply with all relevant regulatory requirements.
- An EU-US technical meeting on plant biotechnology regulation is being planned in June, in Brussels.