

Planet Diversity Forum
Food and agriculture that protect biological diversity:
Aiming for a world without GMO

Date: October 11, 2010 (Mon.) 9:30 – 16:30

Place: Wink Aichi Small Hall 1, Nagoya

Entrance: 500 Yen

9:30-9:50 Opening Session

- Welcoming remarks
- Introduction of foreign guests

9:50-12:00 Part 1: Genetically modified farm products and biological diversity

Panel discussion: Summary of the efforts over six years to investigate GM canola that grows wild around Japan, and what to do next

Coordinator: Amagasa Keisuke

Panelists: Nagoya GMO Study Group, Green Co-op, Seikatsu Club

Presentations:

Kanagawa Takahiro, Kyoto Gakuen University: Basic problem of recombinant DNA techniques

Kawata Masaharu, GMO Information Service Japan (GISJ): The problem with wild-growing GM canola

Hatta Sumito, Nominren Food Research Center: Investigating wild-growing GM canola

Namai Hyoji, Tsukuba University (Ret.): Hybridization issues of GM canola

Julie Newman: The current situation in Australia

12:00-13:00 Lunch

13:00-13:50 Lecture

David Quist: Pollution of traditional maize seed in Mexico

13:50-14:50 Part 2 Aiming for a world without GMO

- The movement for GMO-free zones: Korea, Japan
- The movement against GM rice in Asia: Malaysia

14:50-15:00 Break

15:00-15:50 Lecture

Percy Schmeiser: Towards a world without GM farm products

15:50-16:30 Part 3 The Cartagena Protocol and the Convention on Biological Diversity: Changing Japan's domestic legislation

Talk show with Amagasa Keisuke, Kawata Masaharu, and Harano Yoshimasa:

The Convention on Biological Diversity and north-south issues, benefit sharing of genetic resources, liability and redress, and how to change Japan's domestic legislation for the Cartagena Protocol

16:30 End