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**Sent:** jeudi 30 avril 2020 09:14  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] OJALA Annukka (CAB-KYRIAKIDES)  
**Subject:** Re: Meeting request: Pesticides, Green Deal, Farm2Fork

Dear [REDACTED],

I sincerely thank you for your message and for the further details on Syngenta's interest to meet. As I mentioned, at the moment we are not meeting individual companies. In relation to the direction of travel, I hope the forthcoming Farm to Fork Strategy and the Biodiversity Strategy will provide a solid framework. In these strategies, pesticides and their impact will feature prominently.

I am delighted to read that Syngenta is developing a future roadmap towards more sustainable agriculture. I hope that the abovementioned strategies will influence it and that the company can be an actor of change and innovation towards a reduction in the risk and use of pesticides in the EU (and beyond).

All the best,  
Roberto

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** 16 April 2020 15:03  
**To:** REIG RODRIGO Roberto (CAB-KYRIAKIDES)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED] OJALA Annukka (CAB-KYRIAKIDES)  
**Subject:** RE: Meeting request: Pesticides, Green Deal, Farm2Fork

Dear Mr. Reig Rodrigo,

Thank you very much for your message, we fully understand the circumstances with the COVID-19 pandemic and the impact on EU initiative timelines. Challenging times ahead.

We wanted to come back to you to explain the rationale for requesting a meeting with you in more detail. Syngenta has already committed \$2 billion over five years to innovation specifically targeted at delivering a step change in agricultural sustainability. They are accelerating their research and development programme as a result, and Syngenta's Senior Management would very much welcome your views and advice on the direction of travel that the company is taking, to help ensure that this substantial investment will fit with EU, and particularly your Commissioner's, priorities and expectations. We believe that a discussion would be more helpful than exchanges of documents, especially as some of the information from Syngenta may be commercially confidential.

Syngenta is an active participant in the trade association ECPA, and are indeed very aligned on core messages. It is essential that this industry is part of the solution and working in tune with all parties, including the Commission and farmers. However, the path towards more sustainable agriculture will be driven by individual companies that are investing in bringing innovations to farmers. Due to anti-trust law compliance, individual companies cannot share sensitive information on innovation with the trade association. This is why, we would very much appreciate a video call conversation with you.

Do you think it would be possible to have a short video discussion with you to seek your advice on Syngenta's future roadmap towards more sustainable agriculture? Recognising that you have overarching priority work on COVID19 response we will of course be completely flexible to meet your availability.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Best regards,

[REDACTED]

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**Sent:** 14 April 2020 10:03

**To:** [REDACTED]

**Cc:** [REDACTED]

[Annukka.OJALA@ec.europa.eu](mailto:Annukka.OJALA@ec.europa.eu)

**Subject:** Re: Meeting request: Pesticides, Green Deal, Farm2Fork

Dear [REDACTED],

Thank you very much for your message and thanks to [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] for their interest in meeting. For now we meet mainly EU umbrella organisations such as ECPA (with whom we met in February). In addition, the COVID-19 pandemic has delayed certain key items, including the Farm to Fork Strategy.

We would be delighted to receive any written information from Syngenta on these topics, particularly on its strategy to further develop low risk pesticides and move away from products with higher risk profiles.

Kind regards,  
Roberto Reig Rodrigo

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**From:** [REDACTED]

**Sent:** 10 April 2020 13:10

**To:** REIG RODRIGO Roberto (CAB-KYRIAKIDES)

Cc: [REDACTED]

**Subject:** Meeting request: Pesticides, Green Deal, Farm2Fork

Dear Mr. Reig Rodrigo,

I am contacting you on behalf of [REDACTED] Syngenta Crop Protection to request a meeting with you to discuss EU pesticides policy and innovation in the framework of the Green Deal and Farm to Fork Strategy.

[Syngenta](#) is a global company that produces agrochemicals, flowers and seeds and is based in Basel, Switzerland. Syngenta is committed to develop innovative and science-based solutions to enable a food production system that is more productive and resource efficient, whilst ensuring maximum health protection.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] would like to exchange views with you on how to best collaborate in the shaping of the upcoming Farm to Fork Strategy and the Green Deal regarding pesticides. We would very much welcome your views on innovation products that we are aiming to bring on the European market in that framework.

Would you have any availability for a video meeting in the week of April 20<sup>th</sup>? If not suitable, please let us know any alternative dates.

For your information, Syngenta's representatives also requested a meeting with Ms Annukka Ojala to discuss the Farm to Fork Strategy, however, due to the COVID-19 circumstances it did not materialise so far.

We look forward to hearing from you and to have an exchange of views on these important topics for the pesticides industry.

Kind regards,

[REDACTED]

*On behalf of Syngenta Crop Protection*

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