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Participants :

New Breeding Technique (NBT) platform : [REDACTED]

SANTE : L. Miko, [REDACTED], [REDACTED]

Meeting requested by NBT platform to follow up to previous meeting of 22 September 2014 with L. Miko.

- Legal Interpretation by the Commission of NBT falling or not under GMO legislation :  
L. Miko explained resources problem + other priorities have slowed examination. Work will be intensified now, with the objective to present, after internal clearance, a draft to MS and stakeholders in autumn and conclude the Commission's legal interpretation by end 2015. It will contain specific elements on the existing NBT and horizontal elements which should help in case of other NBT.  
In the absence of a legal interpretation of the Commission L. Miko strongly recommended to companies to take a precautionary approach and wait. In case they cannot wait they should act as if the NBT product would be a GMO. This applies in particular to one case which has been drawn to the attention of the Commission recently and of which the platform was aware.
- Discussions with MS and NBT platform :  
Commission was informed of the platform outreach activities.  
L. Miko mentioned Commission's communication actions on new technologies at EXPO Milano : video as well as different events.
- NBT status outside EU :  
Commission was informed of decisions or pending decisions in some trading partners.

- Meeting with Commissioner Andriukaitis  
To be discussed with cabinet.



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