

Feeding the World

Are GM crops fit for purpose? If not, then what?

The Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre
London SW1P 3EE November 12th 2008

PROGRAMME (As at September 30th 2008)

10.00 - Registration and coffee

Session 1

Tackling the GM claims

Chair: Dr Jeremy Cherfas – Bioversity ROME

10.30 Phil Woolas – DEFRA – The UK Government's case. (Invited)

11.00 GM crops and environmental damage
Martin Doughty NATURAL ENGLAND (Invited)

11.30 GM crop health risk trials revisited
Michael Antoniou Kings College LONDON

12.00 The inevitability of gene flow – environment and health risks.
Prof. Jack A Heinemann University of Auckland NZ

12.30 – 14.00 LUNCH

Session 2

Feeding the World

Chair: Prof. Dr. Hardy Vogtmann

14.00 What is feeding the world and food security anyway. Are these realistic aims? TBC

14.30 Nutritional diversity and food-based approaches to malnutrition
Dr Jeremy Cherfas Bioversity ROME

15.00 IAASTD critique of industrial agriculture and the relevance of small scale agro-ecology.
Dr Janice Jiggins IAASTD HOLLAND

15.30 Examples of successful agro-ecology
Speaker from NGO Practical Action

16.00 The Slow Food vision
Speaker from Slow Food UK

16.30 Summing up
Prof. Dr. Hardy Vogtmann GERMANY

16.45 **Conference ends**