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Organic Farming
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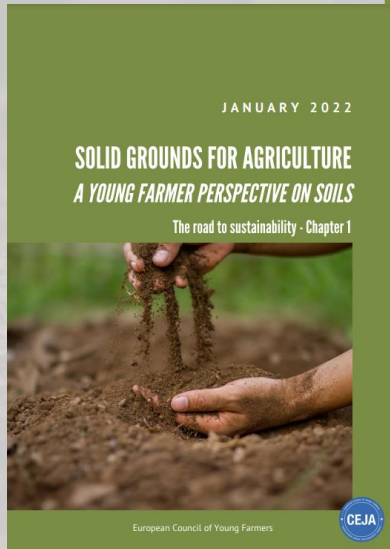


CEJA's dialogue on New Genomic Techniques (NGTs)

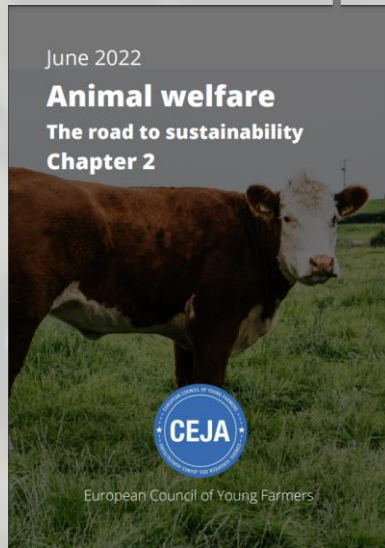
The Road to Sustainability Programme

January
2022

Election of the
2021 – 2023
Presidency



June
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December
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February
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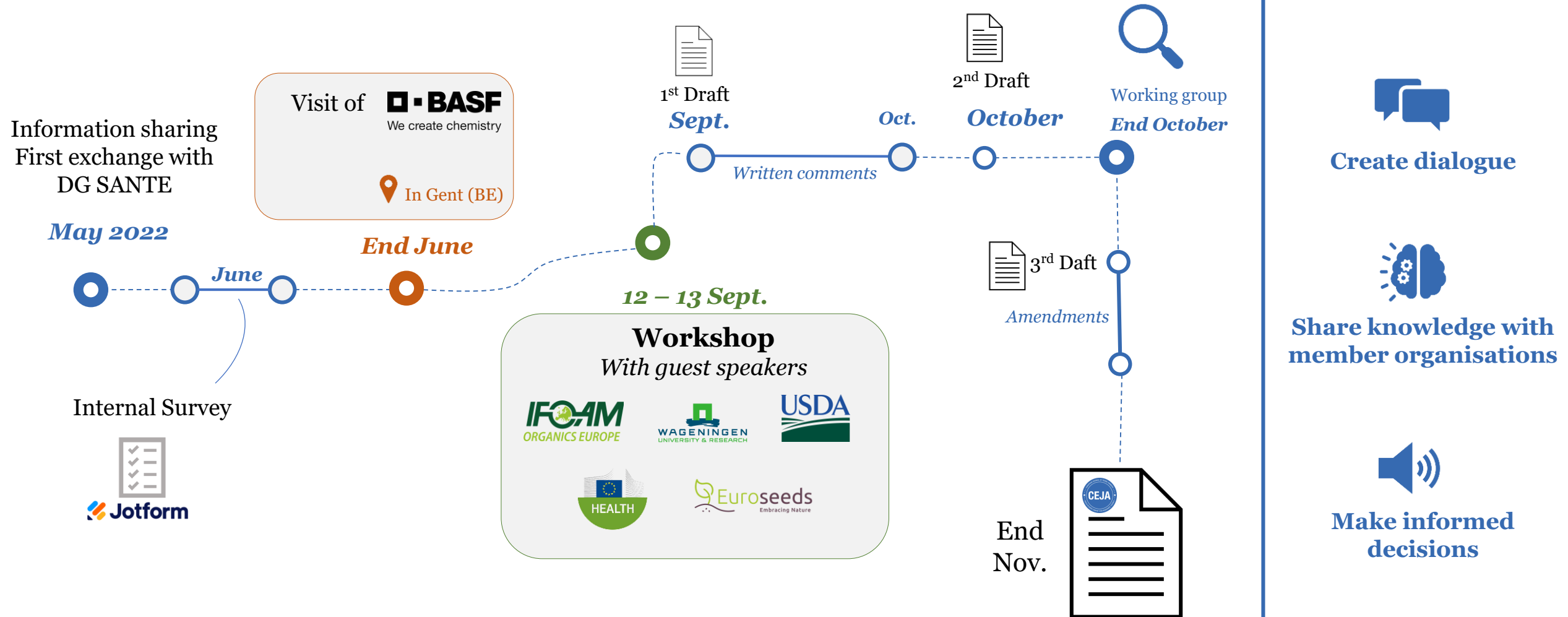
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NGTs

From May to November 2022



CEJA's reflections...



NGTs: One tool for sustainability in agriculture



NGTs and agri-food actors



Policy Recommendations

NGTs = one of the tools for sustainable agriculture



Environmental benefits
Socio-economic resilience of farms
Benefits for the society as a whole



CEJA Young farmers want



**to make informed,
rational, and free
choices**

Knowledge sharing and
farmers involvement in
research activities

Information about the
benefits, but also the potential
trade-offs

A better understanding of the
business model that seeds
suppliers



**Public research and
access for smaller
players**

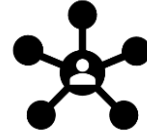
To foster innovation

Development of the
techniques in every
production system





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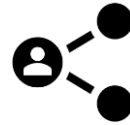


**Cooperation of all
downstream actors**



**Pragmatism in how we
inform consumers**

Certain transparency in the
value chain



**Fair sharing of the
added value**

Avoid over-information

Public debates must be fuelled
by scientific evidence and avoid
any irrational misperception.



CEJA Young farmers want

- 1. Provide a clear and legal definition of NGTs**
- 2. Create a new legal framework separated from the GMO rules**
- 3. Establish a monitoring system for improvements related to the use of NGTs**
- 4. Support public research and knowledge sharing**
- 5. Ensure freedom of choice for farmers**
- 6. Take advantage of other regulatory framework abroad**
- 7. Coherence with trade policy**
- 8. Compatibility with all production systems (including organic farming)**



CEJA Young farmers want

Compatibility with all production systems (including organic farming)

CEJA sees NGTs as a mean of improving the sustainability and resilience of agriculture to climate change, all this while preserving the great heritage of biodiversity and distinctiveness of EU agriculture. These objectives should be pursued in all agri-food chains and production methods, without distinctions. All young farmers, including those in an organic system, should be able to choose and to make use of NGTs.



Thank you

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