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In this seasonal newsletter, we would like to share with you updates from the forefront of pesticide action and news from our members across Europe.

Stay tuned for breaking pesticide news on [Facebook](#) & [Twitter](#), and find out how to [get involved](#) & [support us](#)!

All the best,

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Policy & Campaign Updates



Save Bees & Farmers ECI

updates: Despite the Covid-19 pandemic, we don't stop fighting for fundamental change in EU food and farming! And our ECI is gathering momentum for an agroecological Europe: over 400.000 EU citizens have signed, and **five countries have reached the necessary threshold, but we need 2 more!** Have you signed yet? Make sure to tell your friends & family!

[Find out more](#)



NGOs call on Commission to Withdraw the CAP:

Following the disastrous European Parliament CAP reform vote at the end of October, civil society joined forces in asking the EU Commission to defend the ambitions of its EU Green Deal by withdrawing the CAP.

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voted not to renew approval for mancozeb, the first ever active substance identified as an endocrine disruptor by the EU Commission, also classified as toxic to reproduction by EFSA and considered a carcinogenic agent by the renowned Istituto Ramazzini. Despite its toxicity being known for decades, its use remained among the most widespread prior to its ban. [Read more](#)



Banned Pesticides: 76 NGOs Demand EU Commission Puts End to EU Double Standards

Civil society organisations wrote to the EU Commission demanding an end the export to third countries of pesticides banned in the EU due to health & environmental concerns. At the same time, 70 Members of the European Parliament sent a [statement](#) to the Commission on the same topic.

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New Publication in Focus

BANNED AND HAZARDOUS PESTICIDES IN EUROPEAN FOOD



Brussels 2020

An assessment by PAN Europe

Supporting document to Technical Report

What goes around, comes around: Banned & Hazardous Pesticides in EU food Using [EU official food monitoring data](#), PAN Europe conducted an investigation to find out whether pesticides banned in the EU are detected in food sold on the EU market. The result? A high number of banned pesticides was detected in food entering the EU market from third countries. It is high time to put an end to this unethical practice driving human rights abuse and unfair competition around the world! [Read more](#)



Austria takes a stand against pesticide reduction and bee protection in Brussels

Documents obtained by Global2000 show that, in the Council of Agriculture Ministers, Austria is taking an open & direct position against the EU Commission's planned Europe-wide reduction of pesticide use by 50 percent by 2030 as no other EU country has done (so far).

[Read more](#) (in German).



Support citizens trying to stop pesticides!

In a well-functioning democracy, civil society must be able to openly criticise those in power and speak out on social issues. Instead of being listened to carefully, citizens criticising the massive use of pesticides in the Veneto region of northern Italy, where forests are being increasingly cleared to make space for intensive prosecco monocultures, were intimidated in a number of ways. [Find out more](#) (in Italian)



Dramatic rise in global pesticide poisonings revealed:

A new comprehensive study shows that pesticide poisonings on farms around the world have risen dramatically since the last global assessment 30 years ago, with 44% of the global population working on farms — 860 million farmers and agricultural workers — are poisoned every year. [Read more](#)



Pesticide Free Towns: Network keeps expanding in Croatia!

What's the relation between healthy living, immunity wellness, healthy green spaces and urban management? A pesticide-free town of course! The EU PFT network welcomes the Croatian town of Pisino! [Find out more](#) (in Croatian).

Have you seen?



Watch it again: "Hazardous Pesticides & EU Double Standards" Webinar

Did you miss our webinar on hazardous pesticides & EU's double standards 29/9/20? No problem! You can now watch the full webinar recording & highlights and find panelists' presentations on our website. [Read here](#)



Global Outrage at FAO plans to partner with Pesticide Industry:

More than 350 civil society organisations and 250 scientists have joined forces in calling on the UN agency not to partner with CropLife International. [Read more](#)

Would you like to support us?

Our work to eliminate the use of toxic pesticides is more important than ever before! With your support, we can change policies and practices for a better protection of our health and environment.

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