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"Hazardous Pesticides and EU's Double Standards"

Biographies

Hosts



Eric Andrieu (France, S&D) is the first federal secretary of the Socialist Party in the department of Aude. He became a member of the European Parliament in 2012, replacing Kader Arif who had been appointed Minister Delegate in the Ayrault government. He is a specialist in agronomy and agricultural issues. Member of the Environment and Health Committee and member of the Agriculture and Rural Affairs Committee, he was Chairman of the PESTicides Committee for the European Parliament during the previous mandate.



Anja Hazekamp (Netherlands, GUE/NGL) is a biologist, animal advocate and expert in environmental and animal welfare issues. She has been MEP since 2014, representing the Dutch Party for the Animals. In the EP, she is Vice-President of the ENVI Committee and member of the PECH and AGRI Committees. In 2018 she was one of the initiators of the Special Committee on Pesticides. In 2019 she became President of the Parliamentary Intergroup on Welfare and Conservation of Animals. Recently, she was appointed as rapporteur for the ENVI file on the EU Farm to Fork Strategy. This year, she initiated the recently established Inquiry Committee on Animal Transport.



Michèle Rivasi (France, Greens/EFA) is a member Member of the European Parliament since 2009 in the political group of the Greens/EFA. She is at the heart of the battle for the ban on glyphosate at the European level. She secured the establishment of a special committee to look into the EU's authorisation procedure for pesticides. At the initiative of objections concerning the maximum limits for pesticide residues, she is currently monitoring, within the DEVE committee, the issue of European exports of hazardous pesticides that are banned in Europe.

Speakers



Laurent Gaberell is an Agriculture & Food expert at a swiss NGO called Public Eye. He is the co-author of the investigation on the EU's export of banned pesticides.



Dr. Angeliki Lyssimachou represents Pesticides Action Network (PAN) Europe, the European center of a global network organisation that aims to replace the use of harmful pesticides with ecologically friendly alternatives. Angeliki is an environmental scientist/toxicologist with a PhD and research experience on the effects of pollutants upon environmental ecosystems. Since 2014, she's been the Science Policy officer of PAN Europe.



Prof. Larissa Mies Bombardi is a researcher and specialist on the subject of pesticides use in Brazil. She's the holder of a PhD in Geography from the University of São Paulo and the author of the Atlas "A Geography of Agrotoxins Use in Brazil and its Relations to the European Union". She's also a member of the National Forum to Combat the Impacts of Pesticides, the coordinator of the Research Group "Agrarian Issue, Peasantry and Use of Pesticides in Brazil" and a board member of Justice Pesticide.



Baskut Tuncak served as the UN Special Rapporteur on human rights and hazardous substances and wastes (toxics) from 2014-2020. He is the managing director of Common Rights, providing legal, policy and technical advisory services to governments and various international organizations on the intersection of human rights and environmental health. He is a lawyer and chemist by training, having worked with various private sector and public interest organizations, and as advisor to governmental and multi-stakeholder initiatives.



Dr. Corinne Lepage, holder of a Ph.D. in law, is a lawyer specializing in environmental law and an associate of the law firm *Huglo-Lepage Avocats*. She is a former Minister of the Environment and a former Member of the European Parliament, where she was the first vice-president of the Health and Environment Commission (2009-2012). Author of numerous books on environmental policy issues, she has notably led most of the major environmental lawsuits (Amoco Cadiz, Erika, Xynthia, Round-up 360 Pro, Glyphosate...).