ESA-Info: EP discussion on patentability of biological (breeding) processes and derived products

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To: ESA CIPR ESA Association Members Dear all,

Attached you will find the motion for an EP resolution (non-legislative political statement) on the question of patentability of essecitially biological (breeding) processes and products derived therefrom. The motion provides the base for a discussion with the EU Commission to be held at the upcoming plenary meeting on 09./10. May 2012. As stated, provided adoption (which is likely as all major political groups support the text), this is not a legally binding text! But we have been in touch with numerous MEPs over the past months and weeks in relation to the discussion on the EU Patent and have consistently argued for the introduction of the breeders exemption into the final text. This has also been instrumental in raising awareness for the importance of clear(er) interpretation of the scope (and its limitations) of the biopatenting Directive. We hope to also convince the one or the other speaker in plenary to raise the specific issue of introducing a breeders exemption into the Council's Common Position on the EU Patent in the context of this debate.

We will keep you posted on debate and outcome in due course. Kind regards, Garlich

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