

Planet Diversity—Together for a Diverse Future

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Abstract

The agricultural practices with Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) contribute to a destructive chain effect, and it is clear that the organic movement does not agree with this. Governments all over the world will be meeting in May 2008 to discuss the future of biological diversity at the 9th Meeting of the Parties of the Rio Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD, COP-9), as well as at the Meeting of the Parties to the Cartagena Protocol on Biosafety, the latter dealing directly with GMOs (MOP-4).

As a response to these important meetings, Planet Diversity (PD) wants to raise the awareness of governments, industry, and organizations involved with these topics about the need to highlight the importance of local farmers, their traditions, their seeds, their livestock, and especially the soil they are cultivating.

The manifesto of Planet Diversity, its outcomes, and the relevant outcomes of the MOP-4 meeting will be presented by the organizer.

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