

The future of biocontrols for agriculture

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Biocontrols are in the spotlight these days. While some policy makers and members of the public are becoming more wary of chemical crop protection, biological solutions seem to be the holy grail for many. But in a lot of crops only a limited number of biological products are currently available to farmers to fight pests and diseases. Is the crop protection industry lagging behind? Are expectations overstretched? And what is Syngenta doing in this field?

On **Tuesday afternoon 29 November 2016**, Syngenta will present its strategy and some of its initiatives in the area of biological crop protection. The company's experts will engage with stakeholders such as policy makers, academics, opinion makers and farmer unions on the challenges ahead. We will also showcase how Syngenta is applying an open source approach to its research data on one of its new products in this area.

We are particularly honoured to welcome the Belgian Minister of Agriculture, Mr Willy Borsus, who will give the opening speech.

Location

Tuesday 29 November 2016
12.00 - 18.00h

Syngenta
Ghent Innovation Center
Technologiepark 30

Ghent, Belgium

Programme

12h00: Registration and sandwich lunch

13h00: Welcome by Toon Musschoot – Head Corporate Affairs Benelux

13h05: Opening speech by Willy Borsus – Belgian Minister of Agriculture

13h20: Syngenta's biocontrol strategy by Jean-Philippe Albert – Head New Technology

14h00: RNA-based biocontrols by Geert Plaetinck – Senior Scientist Ghent Innovation Center

14h45: Coffee break and live demonstrations

15h15: Syngenta - DSM partnership by Matthias Brandl – Head Biological Products Development

16h00: Q&A

16h30: Closing remarks

16h45: Networking reception and live demonstrations

18h00: End

Registration and more information

For registration please email Marianne.Staelens@syngenta.com. Marianne can also provide you with more information on travel and hotel arrangements, or if you have particular dietary requirements, please let her know.

How to get there

A free shuttle bus will run regularly before, during and after the event from the main entrance of the Ghent train station (Sint-Pieters) to the site and back.

If you come by car, please find a map below. Syngenta's site is located at the far end of the Ardoyen Science Park in Ghent-Zwijnaarde, Technologiepark 30.



Kind regards,
Luc Maertens, Head Syngenta's Ghent Innovation Center
Toon Musschoot, Head Syngenta Corporate Affairs Benelux

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