

Dear Competent Authority,

Given your interest in the ongoing process for the renewal of the approval of glyphosate in the EU, we want to make sure you are aware of the latest and significant milestones in the process of scientific assessment of the safety of glyphosate for operators, the environment and the consumer.

The designated Member States for the current glyphosate renewal process – known as the [Assessment Group on Glyphosate \(AGG\)](#) – are France, Hungary, the Netherlands, and Sweden.

**Public consultation to start by 24 September 2021:**

Recently, EFSA and ECHA announced (EFSA [announcement](#), ECHA [announcement](#)) that they will launch parallel consultations on the Renewal Assessment Report (RAR) and the harmonised classification and labelling (CLH) report on glyphosate by **24 September 2021**. All interested parties will be able to contribute to the ongoing scientific assessment by submitting comments and information. The consultation will remain open for 60 days.

We, the Glyphosate Renewal Group (GRG), are convinced that a large participation in this glyphosate consultation will further broaden and strengthen the scientific basis for the re-evaluation, and we would like to encourage all interested parties to actively contribute to this consultation by submitting scientific comments that they deem relevant.

A DVD with the updated version of the glyphosate renewal dossier has been sent by the GRG to all Member States recently.

**Main conclusions of dRAR:**

**On 15 June 2021 the AGG [published](#) the main conclusions of their draft Renewal Assessment Report (dRAR) for glyphosate. The AGG's conclusions are based on one of the most extensive and comprehensive scientific dossiers ever compiled for a pesticide active substance.**

(There are still several steps remaining in the current EU glyphosate renewal process, including a peer review of the AGG's conclusions by EFSA. [Click here](#) for details about the next steps).

**Here are some of the AGG's key findings:**

- ***“Based on the current assessment, the AGG considers that glyphosate does meet the approval criteria”***
- ***“Taking all the evidence into account i.e., animal experiments, epidemiological studies and statistical analyses ... AGG proposes that a classification of glyphosate with regard to carcinogenicity is not justified.”***
- ***“The AGG proposes that classification of glyphosate as toxic for reproduction is not justified.”***
- ***“The AGG proposes that classification of glyphosate as for germ cell mutagenicity genotoxic or mutagenic is not justified.”***
- ***“The AGG proposes that classification for specific target organ toxicity is not justified, neither for single nor repeated exposure (STOTSE and STOT-RE) respectively.”***
- ***“No chronic or acute consumer risk is expected from treatment of crops with glyphosate according to the representative uses for the current renewal process”***
- ***“Overall, the AGG concludes that glyphosate meets the approval criteria for human health”***

The AGG's conclusions are consistent with the conclusions of leading health authorities around the world. For more than 40 years, leading health authorities have repeatedly concluded that glyphosate-based products are safe for use according to label instructions and that glyphosate is not carcinogenic.

The GRG as the applicant for the ongoing glyphosate renewal would like to emphasize that we are committed to maximum transparency in this renewal process. Please have a look at our dedicated website [www.glyphosate.eu](http://www.glyphosate.eu) where we are making all relevant scientific information regarding the 2020 glyphosate dossier publicly available.

Best regards,  
The Glyphosate Renewal Group

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