

Biotechnology Research for a Complex World

On the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the EC-US Task Force on Biotechnology Research European and US scientists will discuss a vision for the future of biotechnology research , the bioeconomy and its applications for the benefit of society.

2nd June, 2010

Barcelona Biomedical Research Park

Tentative Programme

09.00 am	Registration
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09.30 am	Welcome and Introduction
	<i>Josep Joan Moreso</i> Rector, Universitat Pompeu Fabra
	<i>W. E. Kennard</i> US Ambassador to the EU (tbc)
	<i>M. Geoghegan-Quinn</i> EU Commissioner for Research and Innovation (tbc)
	<i>S. Abbott</i> Assoc. Director US Office of S&T Policy (tbc)
	<i>Cristina Garmendia</i> Minister for Research and Innovation, Spain

10:00 am	Press Conference
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10.00 am	Session 1: Twenty Years of Thinking Forward Together
	<i>The Impacts of the EC-US Task Force on Biotechnology Research</i>
	<i>Maive Rute</i> EC Co-Chair of the EC US Task Force Director , European Commission
	<i>Judith St. John</i> US Co-Chair of the US EC Task Force USDA Associate Administrator

10:45 am	Coffee Break
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11:00 am

Science Talks

Complex Systems

Gloria Coruzzi,

New York University, USA

Environmental Biotechnology

Victor de Lorenzo

Campus de Cantoblanco, Madrid, Spain

Marine Biotechnology

Shirley Pomponi,

Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute
Florida Atlantic University, USA

From Plant Biotechnology to a Bio-Based Economy

Dianna Bowles

University of York, United Kingdom

01.00pm

Lunch

02.30 pm

Session 2: What's In Our Future?

Feeding the World with Healthful Food and Combating Obesity

Mike Grusak

Baylor College of Medicine and USDA-ARS

Nudging consumers into more sustainable lifestyles: Some lessons from behavioural economics"

Lucia A. Reisch

Copenhagen Business School ,Denmark

Emerging Infectious Diseases in a "One Health "context

Ilaria Capua

OIE and National Reference Laboratory for
Newcastle Disease and Avian Influenza, Italy

Finding Alternatives to Fossil Fuels

Stephen Long

University of Illinois, USA

04.30 pm

Coffee Break

05.00 pm	Round Table Discussion Vladimir de Semir , Moderator 1 and 2	Pompeu Fabra University, Spain with the participation of speakers from session
06.00 pm	Closing Remarks by representatives from the European Commission and US Office of Science and Technology Policy	
06:30 pm	Adjourn	
