INTO THE WEEDS EVENT

In Brussels was Dewayne “Lee” Johnson, the California groundskeeper diagnosed with non-Hodgkin lymphoma, a type of blood cancer, following an accident involving a highly concentrated version of Roundup. The film Into the Weeds follows him and his fight for justice against Monsanto (now Bayer).

In an address opening the film, Anja Hazekamp, a Member of the European Parliament supporting a glyphosate ban, called on the European Commission to “finally start protecting humans, animals and the environment.”

Scientist Chris Portier also told the attendees how regulators repeatedly have bent the rules to ignore/ twist scientific findings in ways that allow them to keep glyphosate on the market.

THE STOP GLYPHOSATE CROWDFUNDING

On the 3rd of April 2023, was launched the Stop Glyphosate Coalition's crowdfunding campaign. Thanks to everyone's support, we have raised so far 4554€!

The collected funds will help to better inform the public at the European and National levels and ensure that the tone of the debate is set by independent scientific research, not by industry-funded science through our activities and the coalition's website.
ALTERNATIVES TO GLYPHOSATE

Following the publication of a new report on Alternatives to Glyphosate, a conference at the European Parliament developed the details of such alternatives.

- Conventional French Farmer Jean-Bernard Lozier explained how he managed to reduce 80% of his pesticide use.
- The impacts on human health were also discussed. Norbert Fraeyman of Ghent University said there was a “broad scientific consensus” that glyphosate is carcinogenic.

GLYPHOSATE DOES HARM TO BEES

A factsheet (that will then be added to our website) presented that glyphosate amongst other things:

- Disrupts the gut microbiome and makes bee colonies much more vulnerable to disease and other harmful effects.
- Disturbs development of bee brood (eggs, larvae and pupae).
- Can negatively affect the thermoregulation of bumblebee colonies.
- Has a negative impact on reproduction.

The harm to bees and bee colonies leaves no space for the re-authorisation of glyphosate.

Thank you to everyone for your hard work towards our common goal. Let’s keep fighting and bring our efforts together to finally and definitely ban Glyphosate from the European market!

If you would like a very early preview of our Coalition’s website (please keep in mind that this is not final) find the link as follows: STOP GLYPHOSATE!