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**DRAFT PROGRAMME**

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**European Citizens’ Initiative**

**‘SAVE CRUELTY-FREE COSMETICS – COMMIT TO A EUROPE WITHOUT ANIMAL TESTING’**

Organised by

**the Committee** **on the** **Environment, Public Health and Food Safety (ENVI)**

Associated committees:

**the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development (AGRI)**

**the Committee on Petitions (PETI)**

25 May 2023, 9:00 - 12:00

European Parliament, Brussels

**Room: JAN - 2Q2**

*Welcome and opening remarks by the European Commission Vice-President and European Parliament Committee Chairs*

9:00 - 9:06 **Maria SPYRAKI**, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety

**Norbert LINS**, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Yana TOOM**, Vice- Chair of the Committee on Petitions

9:06 - 9:15 Opening statement by **Věra JOUROVÁ**, Vice-President of the European Commission responsible for Values and Transparency

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9:15 - 9:20 Presentation by the ECIorganisers:

* Sabrina Engel; People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) Deutschland

- Reineke Hameleers*;* Eurogroup for Animals

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**9:20 - 10:05 PANEL I: Protect and strengthen the cosmetics animal testing ban.**

*ECI objective: Initiate legislative change to achieve consumer, worker, and environmental protection for all cosmetics ingredients without testing on animals for any purpose at any time*

9:20 – 9:35 Presentation of ECI objectives by ECI organisers:

 - Dr Julia Baines; PETA UK

- Dr Julia Fentem; Safety & Environmental Assurance Centre, Unilever

9:35 - 9:55 Q&A by Members

9:55 - 10:00 Reaction by ECI organisers

10:00 - 10:05 Statement by Kristin Schreiber, Director DG GROW

**10:05 - 10:55 PANEL II: Transform EU chemicals regulation.**

*ECI objective: Ensure human health and the environment are protected by managing chemicals without the addition of new animal testing requirements.*

10:05 - 10:25 Presentation of ECI objectives by ECI organisers:

 - Dr Emma Grange; Cruelty Free Europe

- Dr Donna Macmillan (remote); Humane Society International/Europe

- Professor José Tarazona (remote); Spanish National Environmental Health Centre. Instituto de Salud Carlos III. Madrid

10:25 - 10:45 Q&A by Members

10:45 - 10:50 Reaction by ECI organisers

10:50 - 10:55 Statement byMr Aurel Ciobanu-Dordea; Director DG ENV

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**10:55 - 11:45 PANEL III: Modernise science in the EU**

*ECI objective: Commit to a legislative proposal plotting a roadmap to phase-out all animal testing in the EU before the end of the current legislative term.*

10:55 - 11:15 Presentation of ECI objectives by ECI organisers:

 - Dr Luisa Bastos; Eurogroup for Animals

 - Emily McIvor; European Coalition to End Animal Experiments

- Professor Merel Ritskes-Hoitinga; Institute for Risk Assessment Sciences (IRAS), Division of Toxicology, Faculty of Veterinary Medicine, Utrecht University

11:15 - 11:35 Q&A by Members

11:35 - 11:40 Reaction by ECI organisers

11:40 - 11:45 Statement by Signe Ratso, Deputy Director-General - Directorate-General "Research and Innovation"

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**11:45 - 12:00 Conclusions**

Closing remarks by ECI organisers

Closing remarks by Chairs

 **Dolors MONTSERRAT**, Chair of the Committee on Petitions

**Norbert LINS**, Chair of the Committee on Agriculture and Rural Development

**Maria SPYRAKI**, on behalf of the Chair of the Committee on the Environment, Public Health and Food Safety

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