Italy: Agriculture minister wants GMOs banned

The following is an edited excerpt.

The Italian agriculture minister has said she wants to create a ban in Italy on the cultivation of genetically modified organisms (GMOs). Italian Agriculture Minister Nunzia De Girolamo said that she would push for legislation with backing from the Italian health and environment ministers.

The GMO issue is particularly explosive in Italy. As the second-largest producer of organic crops in Europe and the fourth largest in the world, there is widespread fear of the potential damage resulting from accidental GMO contamination.

Read the full story here: Italian minister wants ban on GMOs

Additional Resources:

- "Paterson Speech: UK must lead the World in GM crops," Biofortified
- "As health fears ebb, Africa looks at easing GM crop bans," Reuters
- "Monsanto to stop seeking GMO approval in Europe," CBC News