**Endocrine disruptors: regulation urgently needed at the EU level**

**(B-ROLL)**

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**Restriction:** none

**Intro**

*Strasbourg, 3rd of February.* Endocrine disruptors are substances that interfere with human hormones. We are all exposed to them on a daily basis through products such as food packaging, clothing, cosmetics and children's toys. This is why the European Parliament has been working on measures to prevent any harm derived from these substances for several years. When the issue was brought to the EU Court of Justice by Sweden, the court ruled that the European Commission failed in meeting the deadline to identify and ban potentially harmful endocrine disruptors. And yet there is still no plan to speed up this process.

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**This broadcast-quality video package contains 4 videos (2 ready-to-air EN/FR, 1 B-ROLL, Stock shots).**

**The package in details:**

* Interview with **Gilles Pargneaux, S&D Member** (France)
* Interview with **Jytte Guteland, S&D Member**(Sweden)
* Interview with **Dr. Roberto Bertonllini,** **Chief Scientist of the World Health Organisation**

**Shotlist**

FRANCE, STRASBOURG (FEBRUARY 2, 2016) (SOCIALISTS AND DEMOCRATS, EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - ACCESS ALL)

1. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT IN STRASBOURG (EXTERIOR)
2. CUTAWAY: GILLES PARGNEAUX TALKING TO A HIS ASSISTANTS
3. GILLES PARGNEAUX (S&D MEMBER) SAYING (FRENCH):

“You know endocrine disruptors lead to cancers, male infertility, obesity, diabetes and what are theses disruptive endocrines? It’s pesticides, it’s bisphenol, packaging, receipts, and these leads to these specific health issues.”

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2. GILLES PARGNEAUX (S&D MEMBER) SAYING (FRENCH):

« We must put a maximal pressure on the Commission. Against us, we have an unbridled lobbying from the chemical industry and on the other side, we have political tools. »

1. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF JYTTE GUTELAND TALKING TO HER ASSISTANT
2. JYTTE GUTELAND (S&D MEMBER) SAYING (ENGLISH):

“Endocrine disruptors are harming people’s health. It can lead to cancer, diabetes, as well as fertility problems, especially babies are vulnerable.”

1. CUTAWAY: VARIOUS OF JYTTE GUTELAND TALKING TO HER ASSISTANT
2. JYTTE GUTELAND (S&D MEMBER) SAYING (ENGLISH):

“So we put the pressure on the Commission but it didn’t act so therefore Sweden saw its chance to pressure the Commission and react, since the Commission was breaking the EU law.”

BRUSSELS, BELGIUM (FEBRUARY 28, 2013) (SOCIALISTS AND DEMOCRATS, EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT - ACCESS ALL)

1. CUTAWAY: DR. ROBERTO BERTOLLINI TALKING TO HER ASSISTANT
2. DR. ROBERTO BERTOLLINI (CHIEF SCIENTIST AND WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION REPRESENTATIVE TO THE EU) SAYING (ENGLISH):

“These endocrine disruptors are basically some substances which are present in pesticides, in some electronics, in some cosmetic products, so they are chemicals which can interfere with the normal functioning of the endocrine system in the body”.

1. CUTAWAY: DR. ROBERTO BERTOLLINI TALKING TO HER ASSISTANT
2. DR. ROBERTO BERTOLLINI (CHIEF SCIENTIST AND WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION REPRESENTATIVE TO THE EU) SAYING (ENGLISH):

"There are a number of effects which can be due to the endocrine disruptors, effects on the human body. I can mention a few of them for instance; some people have mentioned the role of endocrine disruptors on breast cancer incidents, in increasing breast cancers, on prostate cancers. Some others mentioned the role of endocrine disruptors on the development of the newborns."

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2. DR. ROBERTO BERTOLLINI (CHIEF SCIENTIST AND WORLD HEALTH ORGANISATION REPRESENTATIVE TO THE EU) SAYING (ENGLISH):

“We need to be realistic, to look at the evidences, and to act on these evidences. They are strong enough to justify action on different grounds.”

CUTAWAY: DR. ROBERTO BERTOLLINI TALKING TO HER ASSISTANT

**Story**

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