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Dear CAM – supporters,

last year the European umbrella organisation, ELIANT, was set up by anthroposophical organisations and companies. In order to assure the legal security of practical Anthroposophy, ELIANT is calling for signatures by July 15th on www.eliant.eu. This is certainly an idea which may be worth consideration for many other CAM disciplines – especially in view of the ongoing strategic activities at EU level (see below)....

The US „Palmer Amaranth“ plant has managed what many considered to be impossible: to grow as a weed between gene-manipulated cotton (developed by Monsanto) and to develop a resistance toward the pesticide Glyphosat (likewise produced by Monsanto). Monsanto now recommends the use of stronger pesticides (also produced by Monsanto).

The company Novoplant (Sachsen-Anhalt) is planning to develop a drug to prevent diarrhoea in pig breeding by manipulating peas with mouse genes. (www.umweltinstitut.org).

A strategic concept to promote *health in Europe* is currently being developed by the EU Commission. First concrete results are expected latest in the summer 2007 (see ANME home page for the strategy paper)

The german Bundestag (lower house of parliament) dealt during its first reading with the conversion of the the well known BfArM to the DAMA – German Pharmaceutical and Medical Products Agency. The DAMA should take over tasks in the European Association and in this role will be in competition with other agencies.

During 2007, the EU Health Minister M. Kyprianou intends to present a proposal for a EU Health Service Directive. He emphasises that it is not the intention of this directive to harmonise the national health systems.

Best wishes from Schoeneck

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