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Dear Sir or Madam,

We cordially invite you to a seminar on:

**“Theoretical Developments and Empirical Measurement of the External Costs of Pesticides”**

**Date:** 6 June 2011

**Venue:** Mundo B (The Brussels Sustainable House, Rue d’ Edimbourg 26, 1050 Brussels tel. 02/8944611) (map attached)

**Time:** 12.00 pm – 1.30 pm

The seminar is the final presentation of the TEAMPEST (Theoretical Developments and Empirical Measurement of the External Costs of Pesticides) project results and policy recommendations, a three-year EU-funded collaborative project that developed and validated tax and levy schemes which support the sustainable use of pesticides.

The seminar will first present the main policy related results of the external costs of pesticides on farmers’ productivity and health, on consumers, and on the environment. It will then be followed by the policy recommendations derived from the development and validation of tax schemes at the micro and macro level and the implementation of low-input and organic farming alternatives in the EU. The seminar will conclude with a round table discussion.

This is a Brown Bag Seminar. The idea behind brown bag seminars is to use the lunch break in everyone’s busy schedule. A lunch buffet and drinks will be provided.

For further information please visit the official project website <http://teampest.agro.auth.gr> or contact: Prof. Konstadinos Mattas: Tel. 0030 2310 99807 or email: [mattas@auth.gr](mailto:mattas@auth.gr)

To confirm your participation, please fill the attached registration form and email it to [snastis@auth.gr](mailto:snastis@auth.gr) or [meropits@agro.auth.gr](mailto:meropits@agro.auth.gr) before May 20<sup>th</sup> 2011. The event agenda will be emailed to registered participants.

Yours sincerely,

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