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We wish you a happy new year 2013

With your help and support throughout this new year to come, we hope to find the right angle to apprehend all components of international law in order for agriculture to ensure food security on all continents, to meet the basic needs of all human beings and to preserve natural resources for future generations.

Upcoming Lascaux events

Workshop on « intellectual property rights and commons », February 15-16th, 2013, Bagnolet :

Organized by the [Réseau Semences Paysannes](#), this workshop will be an opportunity for discussing the existing practices based on property rights, and more specifically industrial property rights, and measuring the relationship between these rights and other restrictions on access to market and/or use of public or collective goods and services and « commons ».

Several members of the LASCAUX Program will attend this workshop. The aim is to formulate the appropriate questions in order for civil society members to apprehend more effectively the issues related to the appropriation of living organisms. Discussions will range from access to seeds, GMOs and pesticides to the impact of ACTA, the European unitary patent and bilateral agreements.

Conference « Law, Economy and agricultural commodity markets », March 20-21st, 2013, Paris:

Speculation on agricultural commodities is a topical yet still unfamiliar subject. Although food commodities are basic goods for human consumption, their accessibility depends in great part on the price at which they are traded on markets. Therefore, it is important to understand the legal and economic mechanisms involved in the process of pricing.

On the initiative of LASCAUX, a conference between lawyers and economists will take place during two days to discuss the issues relating to global food security and reflect on the role of the law and the economy in regard to speculation on prices as well as potential solutions to the issue of access to sufficient and healthy food

For more information on this conference (registration, program...) please contact us at the following address: lascaux.recherche@univ-nantes.fr

The latest news of the Lascaux Program

Conference « Health, food and environment safety: between Law and science », December 12th, 2012, La Sorbonne - Paris :

This conference was organized by the [Master 2 Droit de la sécurité sanitaire, alimentaire et environnementale](#) from the Sorbonne Law School and the [Master spécialisé ALISEE](#).

What are the most appropriate means to ensure the security and development of scientific innovations in the fields of health and nutrition? What is the roles of scientists, especially experts, in our society ? These were some of the various issues addressed by **HÉLÈNE RUIZ-FABRI** and **François COLLART DUTILLEUL** during that day.



Lascaux's blog

You will find below the latest entries published by the team on [Lascaux's blog](#) :

- Camille COLLART DUTILLEUL, « Droit Versus Science », December 11th, 2012.
- Pierre-Étienne BOUILLOT, « Maïs génétiquement modifié NK603 : rejet officiel de l'étude "Séralini" », December 5th, 2012.

New rule

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