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Green Paper on Bio-Preparedness

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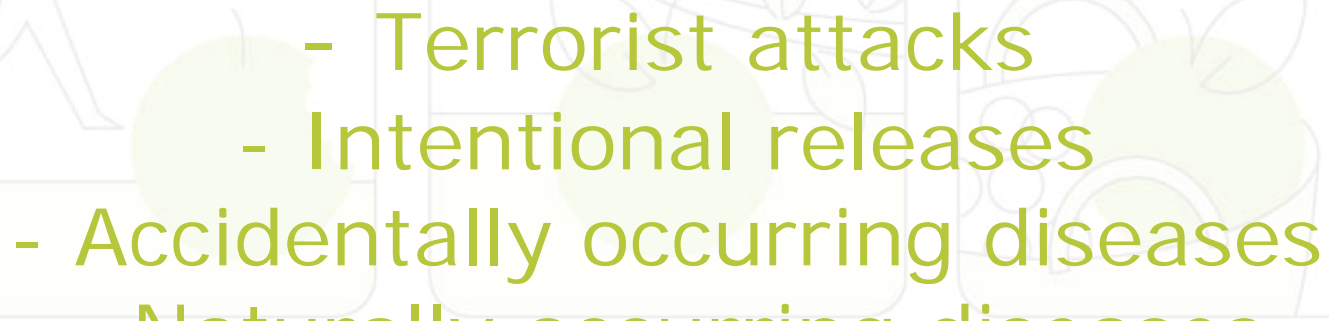




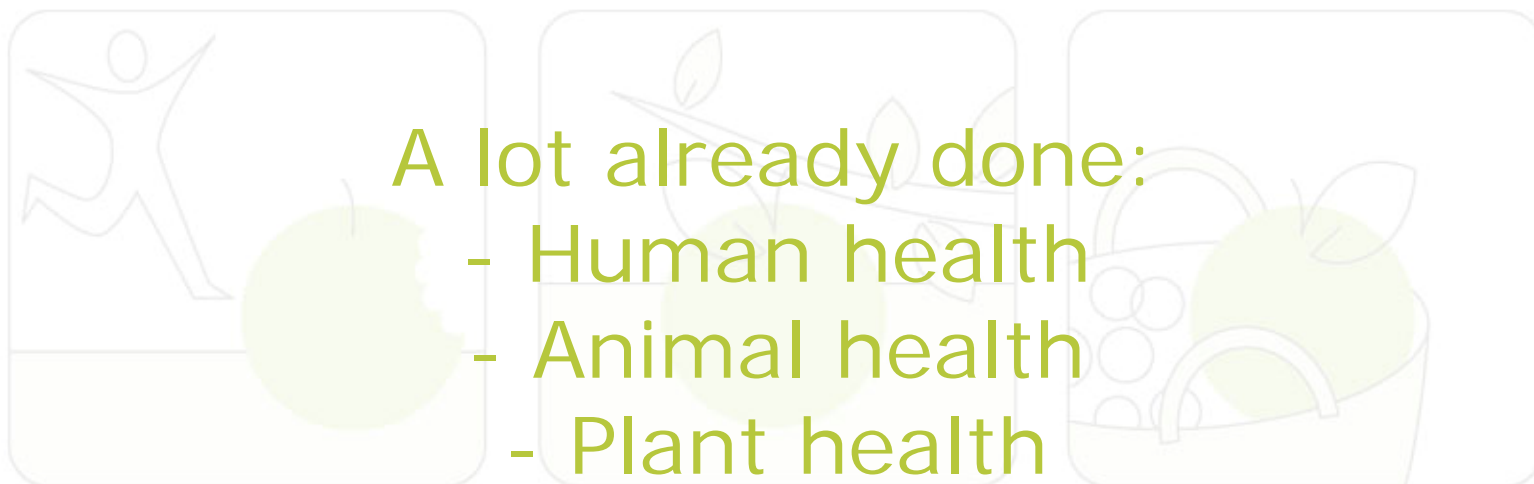
I. Terrorism

From explosives to biological weapons, a change of scope

II. All-hazards approach:

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- Terrorist attacks
 - Intentional releases
 - Accidentally occurring diseases
 - Naturally occurring diseases

III. Existing Instruments



A lot already done:

- Human health
- Animal health
- Plant health
- Food safety




IV. Experience in crisis management

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- A background illustration consisting of three rounded rectangular panels. The first panel shows a stylized human figure running. The second panel shows a branch with leaves and a green apple. The third panel shows a shopping basket filled with various fruits, including an apple and a banana.
- Food crisis
 - Plant health crisis
 - Animal health crisis



V. Bio-Preparedness

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- A background illustration consisting of three rounded rectangular boxes. The first box on the left contains a white line-art icon of a person running. The middle box contains a white line-art icon of a plant with leaves. The third box on the right contains a white line-art icon of a bowl of fruit, including an apple and a banana. The text of the list is overlaid on these boxes.
- Prepare for multiple outbreaks
 - Adapt existing tools
 - Coordinate response
 - Improve contingency plans
 - Increase coordination
 - Further develop international collaboration



VI. Green Paper

Adopted by European Commission on
11 July 2007

VII. Objectives

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- Awareness
 - Safety & security standards
 - Research
 - Analytical capacity
 - Detection capabilities
 - Prevention and response



VIII. Consultation

- Feedback from Stakeholders
- Support for all-hazards approach
- Enhanced international cooperation
- Increased coordination within the EU



IX. What is next?

- Public synthesis of consultation
- Conclusions from EU Member States adopted on 7 December 2007
- Further developments



Thank you for your attention!

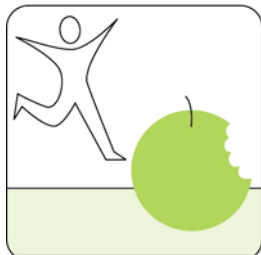
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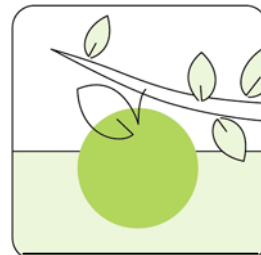
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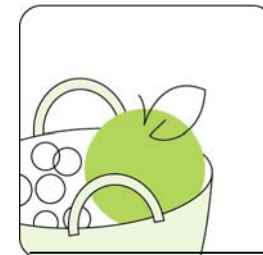
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