



## GMOs

### **Unilever's position statement on genetically modified crops (GMOs)**

#### **Genetically Modified Crops**

We support the responsible use of biotechnology within the framework of effective regulatory control and provision of information about its use. The use of this technology to improve food crops can bring important benefits to mankind and individual applications should be judged on their merits.

We acknowledge that the public's view of biotechnology, such as the use of GM ingredients in foods, is still evolving and that the debate and public acceptance is at different stages in different regions of the world.

Our companies are free to use ingredients derived from modified crops, which have been approved by the regulatory authorities and which meet our own standards for quality and acceptability.

The decision whether or not such ingredients will be used is made at local or regional level, taking into account public perception, national legislation, availability and costs of alternatives and attitudes of our customers, including the retail trade.

