



Kingdom of the Netherlands



# The Dutch bottom-up approach in raising biosecurity awareness: how to reach professionals, students and amateurs?

Netherlands Biosecurity Office - National Institute for Public Health and the Environment

Thursday 13 August, 13.00-15.00 - Room XXII

The Netherlands Biosecurity Office is the national knowledge and information center for biosecurity. The main objectives are to create awareness among biosecurity stakeholders and to develop tools to help organizations implement biosecurity. The Dutch biosecurity regime works bottom-up rather than top down. Within this approach each stakeholder has its own responsibility, which involves awareness, education, and risk management in the field of biosecurity and non-proliferation.

## **Presentations**

*Opening remarks by Ambassador Henk-Cor van der Kwast*

### ***The Netherlands Biosecurity Office***

Mr. Rik Bleijs

### ***Raising biosecurity awareness among professionals***

Ms. Saskia Rutjes

### ***Synthetic biology and biosecurity awareness***

Ms. Cécile van de Vlugt

### ***Biosecurity self-assessment toolkit and vulnerability assay***

Mr. Harold van den Berg

*Followed by a moderated discussion*

*Lunch will be provided*