



Scientific Committee on Health and Environmental Risks
1st Working Group meeting on fluoridation on drinking water
12 May 2009
Minutes

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair of the working group (WG) welcomed the participants and communicated the apologies received.

2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA (ANNEX I)

The draft agenda was adopted as proposed

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON MATTERS OF THE AGENDA

Some members of the WG declared a possible conflict of interest in view of their affiliations and/or previous research work.

Taking into account the nature of the declarations, the members of the WG agreed that these did not constitute a conflict of interest and that all experts could participate in the WG.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure, all declarations will be published after the completion of the work and the publication of the opinion.

4. MANDATE

4.1. Terms of References (ToR)

The draft mandate was discussed by the WG in the presence of the Commission service responsible for the request (DG SANCO). The mandate was modified on the basis of 97 comments received from a public consultation on the working mandate which ran from 16 March to 8 April 2009.

The new mandate was agreed and would be published in the following days on the SCHER website.

4.2. Documentation

A call for information ran in parallel to the consultation on the working mandate. Contributions received included 524 articles, reports.... and 8 books. All contributions were passed to the members and considered by the WG for their relevance to the preparation of the opinion.

5. EXTERNAL EXPERTS

Environmental experts from SCHER would be asked to participate in the WG. The need for additional members in the area of ecotoxicity would be discussed at the following WG meeting.

The committee agreed that one expert on dentistry and one expert on fluoride physiology were also needed.

6. DISTRIBUTION OF TASKS

The preliminary distribution of tasks to current members of the WG was confirmed.

7. TIME TABLE AND NEXT MEETING

Contributions would be sent to the Rapporteur in due time before the plenary meeting of July.

The next WG meetings were planned on June, September and October 2009.

8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

NOB

ANNEX I



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C7 - Risk assessment

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Meeting date: 12 may 2009 starting at 10.00

F-101 02/SDR2 – Bruxelles

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