



## Scientific Committee on Health, Environmental and Emerging Risks (SCHEER)

### 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Working Group for a scientific opinion on risks for the health associated to the use of brain stimulators not having an intended medical purpose described in the group 6 of Annex XVI to Regulation (EU) 2017/745

8 May 2024

#### Minutes (AUDIO)

##### 1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the SCHEER members who attended the audio meeting. There was no apology.

##### 2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted.

##### 3. Declaration of interests on matters on the agenda

The Chair invited participants to declare any interest regarding matters on the agenda. None of the participants declared any interest conflicting with the matters on the agenda.

One member informed about participation as an external observer in the project funded by the EU HORIZON program from Commission : “[eBRAIN-Health - Actionable Multilevel Health Data | eBRAIN-Health | Project | Fact sheet | HORIZON | CORDIS | European Commission \(europa.eu\)](#)” where 16 Member States are involved. This observer activity with no participation in discussion and vote is not considered as an interest conflicting with the production of this SCHEER Opinion. Another member informed about the supervision of two ongoing PhD studies: one funded through a public-private initiative from the Ministry of Education on non-invasive (electrical) brain and nerve stimulation for medical uses, and one (not funded yet) on temporal interference stimulation of the brain for medical uses (research and clinical). This is an institutional duty without receiving personal remuneration, therefore this is not considered as an interest conflicting with the production of this SCHEER Opinion.

##### 4. Mandate and background

The mandating DG presented the mandate and replied to questions from the WG members.

##### 5. External expertise needed

No interested candidate from the SCHEER Reserve list has been selected by the SCHEER. The EU database will be scrutinised, and if needed, a call for external expertise will be launched on the website: [Consultations - European Commission \(europa.eu\)](#)

##### 6. Literature review and library search

Keywords were selected by the WG members to launch library searches.

**7. Timeline**

The deadline for the adoption of the final document is end of 2025.

**8. Next meeting**

The next WG meetings are planned by the end of June and July 2024 (date to be confirmed).

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