



**Scientific Committee on Emerging and Newly Identified Health Risks**

**SCENIHR**

**3<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Working Group on Health Effects of Artificial Light**

**21 April 2010**

**Minutes**

**1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

The Chair of the working group (WG) welcomed the participants. Due to the volcanic ash cloud, the meeting was held as a web conference.

**2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

The draft agenda was adopted as proposed.

**3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

One member of the WG declared an interest in view of their affiliations.

Taking into account the nature of the declarations, the members of the WG agreed that this did not constitute a conflict of interest.

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

**4. DISCUSSION ON PRACTICAL ISSUES**

**4.1. Documentation / Call for information**

The WG confirmed that a contractor should search for additional scientific evidence on the potential health impacts for the general public from lighting technologies. Furthermore, a call for info would be launched shortly, requesting specific technical information.

**4.2. External experts**

The WG decided to invite an additional expert on an ad-hoc basis to present data and views on specific topics at the next meeting but without participating in the

discussion on the subject matter. This expert would not become a full member of the WG.

Furthermore, the Secretariat, the Chair and other WG-members would collaborate to identify and contact additional experts in the areas previously identified.

#### **5. DISCUSSION ON THE DRAFT OPINION**

The WG further developed the structure of the opinion, distributed additional tasks and discussed the contributions received. After a revision by the rapporteur, the updated document would be sent to the WG. Contributions by members would be sent to the Secretariat in due time for preparing a revised draft to be discussed at the next WG meeting.

#### **6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The WG discussed future meeting dates. These will be confirmed by the Secretariat via an official invitation in due time.

## **ANNEX I**

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