

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

# Meeting of the Working Group on Rapid Risk Assessment

Meeting date: 5 July 2016

## **Minutes**

# 1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed participants. 1 apology was received.

#### 2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted without changes.

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

The Chair requested participants to declare any conflict of interest regarding matters on the agenda. None of the participants declared any conflict of interest.

#### 4. Discussion on the guidance document on RRA

The Chair presented the guidance document on RRA developed by the SCHER to the WG and asked for comments.

# 5. Competencies required

The WG discussed the competencies of experts to be included in the poll of experts on RRA.

#### 6. Selection of experts to form the pool of RRA experts

A Call for experts was opened on the SCs website from 29 March to 9 May 2016. 52 experts applied in the Call, 33 experts indicated previous experience with providing rapid risk assessment on chemical threats. The WG discussed minimum requirements for experts to be included in the pool of experts and concluded the Call for experts will be reopened.

# 7. Training requirements (for RRA WG and pool of experts)

The WG discussed what training is needed for the WG and for the pool of experts for providing rapid risk assessment of chemical threats.

#### 8. Communication channels in the event of an incident

The WG discussed communication channels in case of an event and concluded to continue the discussion in the next meeting.

# 9. AOB and next meeting date

The next meeting will take place in September (tbc)