



Scientific Committee on Health, Environmental and Emerging Risks

(SCHEER)

3rd meeting of the Working Group on non-human primates testing

Meeting date: 30 August 2016

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants. Four apologies were 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. Introduction of WG members

External experts that were selected from the SCHEER reserve list and from the open Call for experts to become members of the WG introduced themselves and their area of expertise.

5. Designation of rapporteur

The WG designated a rapporteur for the opinion.

6. Discussion on the mandate

DG ENV explained that request is that DG ENV is reviewing Directive on the protection of animals used for scientific purposes. The purpose of the mandate is to update the Opinion from 2009 and look at changes in the use of NHP and alternative methods since 2009 and highlight areas where NHP may be used in the future.

7. Discussion on the structure of the Opinion

The Chair presented the general structure for SCHEER Opinions. He suggested to keep the same structure of the specific chapters on the areas of research and testing as in the 2009 Opinion, to highlight in the update what changed since 2009 and to include new areas where NHP are used and may be used in the future.

8. Allocation of tasks and timetable

The Chair prepared a draft allocation of tasks and asked the WG members to send their contributions by 18 September. The next meeting is scheduled for 23 September.

9. Any Other Business

No AOB