



Luxembourg, 12 September 2023

**Scientific Committee on Health, Environmental and Emerging Risks**

**SCHEER**

**Working Group on the protection of animals**

12 September 2023, Luxembourg

**Minutes**

**1. Welcome and apologies adoption of the agenda and declaration of interests**

The Chair welcomed the participants, especially the EFSA observer.

One apology was received.

The agenda was adopted.

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.

**2. Discussion on the draft opinion**

The WG discussed the contributions received during the public consultation and the preliminary opinion was revised accordingly. During the meeting, the WG only discussed the section of the preliminary opinion related to zebrafish.

Discussions on the contributions received during public consultation related to the bird section was discussed on 6 September 2023.

The Secretariat of the Scientific Committee will prepare the documents necessary to launch a written procedure for adoption of the final opinion.

**3. Next meeting(s)**

None.

**4. Any Other Business**

None.