

Scientific Committee on Health, Environmental and Emerging Risks SCHEER

Working Group on emerging issues at the environment-social interface

Meeting date: 07 May 2019

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants. Seven apologies were received.

2. Adoption of the agenda

The agenda was adopted with a minor change: the commenting on characterisations was listed before the selection of external experts.

3. Declaration of interests

The Chair invited participants to declare any interest regarding matters on the agenda. No conflict of interest declared by participants.

4. Discussion on the mandate/ characterisations received

The working group discussed the 10 characterisations provided by DG ENV; links between characterisations were found, thus these points can be grouped and discussed together by the SCHEER.

5. Selection of external experts

The working group discussed the selection of external experts from the reserve list and the database of external experts in order to enrich the expertise of the group in specific domains of the mandate.

6. Timeline for the opinion

Deadline for the final Opinion is July 2019.

7. Allocation of tasks

All working group members should participate in a preliminary screening of the 10 characterisations and in the identification of specific human and/or environmental risks and/or opportunities that may not have been identified in the text provided.

8. Any Other Business

The next meetings are planned for the first week of June 2019 (date tbc) and on 18 June.