



**Scientific Committee on Health and Environmental Risks
(SCHER)**

Meeting of the Working Group on Rapid Risk Assessment

Meeting date: 26 February 2016

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed participants. 5 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. ECHEMNET / SCHER exercise on 16-17 February

The aim of the exercise was to test the draft procedure developed by the SCHER and to identify areas where improvements are needed. Final report from the exercise will be used for finalisation of the guideline on procedure for ad hoc RRA.

5. Questionnaire for the experts for the pool

The WG went through a questionnaire prepared by the EU Health Programme Project Echemnet and concluded that it is suitable to be used for the planned call for experts on RRA.

6. Procedure for *ad hoc* rapid risk assessment of serious cross border health threats

The WG discussed the revisions in the guidance on draft procedure for ad hoc RRA. The final document will be submitted for adoption to the SCHER plenary on 22 March.

7. Timeline

The final document will be submitted for adoption to the SCHER plenary on 22 March. The call for experts on RRA is planned to be launched in March.

8. AOB

No AOB.