



Luxembourg, 1 March 2024

**Scientific Committees on Health, Environmental and Emerging Risks (SCHEER)  
7<sup>th</sup> Plenary meeting (2022-2026)**

12 March 2024, Luxembourg (AUDIO)

**AGENDA**

**1. Welcome and apologies, approval of the agenda and declaration of interests**

**2. Information from Members/Commission/Secretariat**

- SCCS WG Methodology and Secretariat are organising a scientific workshop on Next Generation Risk Assessment **in Brussels in late 2024**. Check past event: [sccs2016\\_miwg\\_057\\_0.pdf \(europa.eu\)](#) and [The way forward for assessing the human health safety of cosmetics in the EU - Workshop proceedings \(europa.eu\)](#).

**3. Points for discussion/decision**

**3.1 Mandates for adoption**

- New mandate by DG ENV A3 on **FORENV 6: *Emerging risks and opportunities for biodiversity protection and ecosystem services in the context of economic and societal challenges***.
  - Two workshops will take place in Brussels, one in Copenhagen (EEA premises) and Ispra (JRC).
  - ENV did not yet finalised the planning but are aiming at having the emerging issue characterisations ready for review in mid-July August and would welcome the SCHEER's opinion by end September, for adoption at Plenary in October.
- New mandate by DG SANTE D3 on the **brain stimulators**
- Potential new mandate by DG JRC/GROW/ENV on **detergents**: revision of the EU Ecolabel on Detergents related to biological risk (micro-organisms).

**3.2 Opinions for adoption**

- **First update of the Guidelines on the use of phthalates in medical devices** – preliminary text for adoption (public consultation end March - end April + public hearing on 11-12 April in Bxls).
- **Opinion on potential health effects of exposure to electromagnetic fields (EMF) - Update with regard to frequencies between 1Hz and 100 kHz** – adoption of final opinion and replies to comments via written procedure after the plenary.

### **3.3 Opinions for discussion/ongoing work**

- Weight of Evidence (WoE)
- Technical advice on Council recommendation on the limitation of exposure of the general public to electromagnetic fields (0 Hz to 300 GHz)  
[eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:31999H0519](http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:31999H0519)

### **3.4 Other points to discuss**

- Factsheet on EMF I and EMF II final opinions
- Reports from external meetings

## **4. A.O.B.**

### **Dates of the next plenary meetings:**

- 4 June – physical presence needed in Luxembourg
- October date to be agreed