

Inter-Committee Coordination Group (ICCG) AUDIOCONFERENCE Meeting

ON

SYNTHETIC BIOLOGY MANDATE

Meeting room: HTC 02/280

07 June 2013, 10:00-12:00

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

The Agenda of the meeting was approved without modifications. The participants have been updated on the Synthetic Biology mandate and agreed SCENIHR being the leading Committee of this mandate.

2. Composition of the Working Group on Synthetic biology

The discussions focused on the structure of the WG on Synthetic Biology, it was decided to have, at the beginning, a larger WG. Each SC will discuss the mandate within its plenary and try to identify 1 or more members interested in being members of the WG. Members of the WG should then identify any further needs for this work (e.g. additional experts, the working procedures, invite experts from EU agencies and Commission departments.

3. Additional experts to be included in the WG

The Call for expression of interest for experts in the Synthetic Biology area is online. Deadline 23 June. It was noted that the Call of Expression on interest does not include specific requirements in terms of expertise such as bioinformatics. This expertise should be added in the call.

4. Literature review

100 articles available through the literature review.

The ICCG members will receive from the Secretariat the document with the abstracts so as to review them and to come up with their feedback in terms of further needs in this area.

5. Any other business

A timeline was proposed for the SYNBIO Scientific Opinion to finalise the opinion by autumn 2014.

DGs interested in the mandate will present their activity/projects in the field during the first meeting of the WG. Information on projects in the area of Synthetic Biology funded under FP7 are also needed.