

Scientific Committee on Health, Environmental and Emerging Risks

(SCHEER)

Meeting of the Working Group on Rapid Risk Assessment

Meeting date: 3 March 2017

Minutes

1. Welcome and apologies

The Chair welcomed the participants; five 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 invited participants to declare any interest regarding matters on the agenda. Three members declared their involvement in Emetnet project (funded by DG ECHO). The WG and the secretariat concluded that participation in EU project does not constitute conflict of interest.

4. Emetnet project

The Chair presented the Emetnet project which is focusing on serious environmental threats and natural hazards like fires or earthquakes in and outside Europe; it is funded by DG ECHO.

5. Discussion on the guidance document on RRA

The secretariat informed that the guidance on RRA was published on Friday 3/3; the appointment letter to the pool of experts is planned to be sent on Monday 6/3.

6. ToR

The WG discussed the draft ToR prepared by the Chair; discussion will continue in the next meeting(s).

7. Communication channels in the event of an incident

The WG discussed a draft document on communication channels in the event of an incident prepared by the Chair; discussion will continue in the next meeting(s).

8. Exercises – EDREX

The WG discussed its possible involvement (depending on the scenario) in the Exercise EDREX, organised by DG ECHO.

9. AOB

Next meeting will take place on 29 March.