

Luxembourg, 24 May, 2017

Scientific Committee on Health, Environmental and Emerging Risks (SCHEER)

Meeting of the Working Group on WoE and uncertainties

24 May 2017, Luxembourg <u>Minutes</u>

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

The Chair of the WG welcomed the participants and presented the apologies received (2). The agenda was adopted as presented.

The Chair requested participants to declare any conflict of interest regarding matters on the agenda. None of the participants declared any conflict of interest.

2. List of points discussed and conclusions

2.1 Discussion on the Revision of the Memorandum on WoE and uncertainties

During the seventh meeting the working group decided to restructure some of the chapters of the memorandum. It was agreed to refer to EFSA's recent published Guidance on the use of the weight of evidence approach and how to address uncertainties in scientific assessments. The members were updated on the comments received during the SCHEER Plenary meeting on 17-18 May. New tasks have been allocated to the members with the request to submit their contributions by the end of June. Then the rapporteur will prepare an updated version of the Memorandum to be discussed during an audio meeting at the beginning of July.

3. Information from the Commission and WG members

No information.

4. Next steps

To collect all input from the members related to the revision of the Memorandum (Deadline 30 June) and to prepare a new version for the next meeting.

5. Next meeting(s)

The next working group meeting will be held via teleconference at the beginning of July.