



14<sup>th</sup> plenary meeting of the  
Scientific Committee on Health and Environmental Risks (SCHER)  
21 Sept. 2011 at 10.00, Rue Froissart 101, room 01/89 - Brussels

Minutes

**1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

Prof. Greim, Chair of the Committee, opened the meeting and welcomed the participants.

Apologies received from BP and RA

**2. ADOPTION OF THE DRAFT AGENDA**

The draft agenda was adopted as proposed.

**3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS ON MATTERS ON THE AGENDA**

No new declarations were made

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS PLENARY MEETING**

The minutes of the 13<sup>th</sup> SCHER plenary meeting were approved with the deletion of the mandate for Ba in Toys which may be submitted later.

**5. CHAIR'S REPORT**

Selection of a new vice-chair (an expert in environmental issues). After a discussion the Committee elected unanimously AG in the post.

**6. NEW REQUESTS FOR OPINIONS BY COMMISSION SERVICES ON:**

**6.1. Barium in Toys**

For consideration of the mandate and selection of the WG members (H. Greim)

**7. ONGOING REQUESTS FOR OPINIONS BY COMMISSION SERVICES ON:**

**7.1. TCEP in toys**

For adoption of the pre-consultation opinion (E. Testai)

The adoption of the opinion was postponed until the next plenary in view of some double-checking of the calculations to be performed.

## **7.2. Combination Effects of Chemicals**

The outcomes of the public consultation were outlined and the progress of the modified text discussed.

## **7.3. Improvements in Risk Assessment**

The rapporteur presented the work in preparation of the pre-consultation opinion which should be ready for adoption at the next plenary.

## **8. PARTICIPATION OF THE SCHER IN ACTIVITIES/WORKING GROUPS OF OTHER SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES**

### **8.1. Nitrosamines and Secondary Amines in Cosmetics (SCCS in the lead)**

The progress of the WG was reported.

### **8.2. NDELA and Nitrosamines in Cosmetics and Balloons (SCCS in the lead)**

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### **8.3. New challenges for risk assessment (SCENIHR in the lead) – M. Vighi, C. Janssen, W. Dekant**

The plenary decided to add one or two SCHER members to this WG. The names of ET and HA were proposed and accepted.

### **8.4. Meeting in June 2011 and further progress on TTC**

The expectation is that after another meeting in October, a compromise will be reached between EFSA's document and the one by the SCs.

### **8.5. Invitation to present SCHER-opinion on depleted uranium in EU parliament hearing in Oct – W. Dekant**

## **9. NEW AND EMERGING ISSUES**

There were none reported.

## **10. NEXT PLENARY MEETING – 22 NOVEMBER 2011**

## **11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

There was none.