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C7 - Risk assessment

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Scientific Committees
1st meeting of the Inter-committees Coordination Group
8 September 2004 (12:00 -13:00)

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Commission chaired the meeting and welcomed the newly appointed Chairs and Vice Chairs of the three Committees. Apologies were received from Prof. O. B Jansson (Vice Chair of SCHER).

2. OBJECTIVES OF THE INTER-COMMITTEES COORDINATION GROUP

The aim of the meeting was to outline the objectives of the Coordination Group, to agree dates for subsequent meetings and to allow the members to meet each other.

The main tasks of this group were presented, with particular reference to section 17 of the rules of procedures.

It is planned to regularly inform and update the Chairs and Vice Chairs on the requests presented to the other Scientific Committees.

3. COORDINATION ACTIVITIES

A draft document on the proposed activities for the group will be provided in advance for the next meeting.

The following dates were agreed for subsequent meetings:

- 13th October 2004,
- 15th December 2004,
- 16th February 2005.

Dates for the meetings of the group in 2005 would be agreed at the next meeting.

4. PARTICIPATION OF THE SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEES IN ACTIVITIES/WORKING GROUPS OF OTHER RISK ASSESSMENT BODIES

The collaborative work between the Committees and other risk assessment bodies was encouraged.

Although coordination with other risk assessment bodies would be carried out by the Commission, the assistance of Committees would be essential to manage scientific matters.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair and Vice Chair of the SCHER noted the general concern on the reduction of members with environmental toxicology background and drew attention to the lack of balance in relation to those dealing with human toxicology. Consideration and adequate follow-up should be given to this problem.

The Chair of the SCCP informed the group that he had been requested to give an opinion on the paper on nanotechnology produced by the Royal Society.

The meeting was closed by thanking all the members of the Committee for their contributions.

Annex I: List of participants

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INTER COMMITTEE COORDINATION GROUP

1ST MEETING

8 September 2004
in Brussels

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS

Chairs and Vice-Chairs of the Scientific Committees

Prof. J. BRIDGES, Dr. W.H. DE JONG, Prof. EM. H GREIM, Prof. P. HARTEMANN,
Prof. V M ROGIERS, Prof. T SANNER, Dr. J TARAZONA, Dr. I WHITE

Apologies

O. B JANSSON (Vice Chair of SCHER).

Commission

Mr. P WAGSTAFFE (Chair), SANCO C/7

Ms. P AGUAR, Ms M. BRANDIMARTE (Secretariat of SCENIHR and the Inter-
committee Coordination Group), SANCO C/7

Ms T. PEETSO, Mr. A. VAN ELST, SCCP Secretariat, SANCO C/7

Ms. G. FONTANESI, SCHER Secretariat, SANCO C/7

Ms M MARINI, SANCO C/7

Mr. P. MARTIN, SANCO C/7