



Agenda

**18th meeting of the Group of Chief Scientific Advisors
14-15 May 2019
Brussels**

Venue: 14 May: Berlaymont (09/121), 15 May: ORBN 11th floor, zone A

1st meeting day: 14 May 2019

- 1. Welcome and adoption of the agenda**
10:45 -11:00

- 2. Making Sense of Science under Conditions of Complexity and Uncertainty**
Up-date on progress of work
11:00 – 11:30

- 3. Scientific Advice Mechanism – impact and reporting**
11:30-12:00

- 4. Exchange with European Commissioner for Research Science and Innovation Carlos Moedas**
12:00-13:00
(Presence V. Šucha)
 - *Presentation by the Group of draft recommendations for the scientific opinion ‘Making Sense of Science for Policy under Conditions of Complexity and Uncertainty’ and discussion.*

- 13:00 – 14:30 Lunch of European Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation Carlos Moedas with SAM Chief Scientific Advisors**

- 5. Exchange with Chief Scientific Advisor to the UK Government Patrick Vallance**
14:30 – 15:30

- 6. Follow-up to delivered Scientific Advice**
15:30 – 16:30
(Presence P. Vallance)
 - **Microplastic Pollution**
Handover of Scientific Opinion and exhibition 30 April
 - **Gene Editing Statement***
Event in European Parliament organised with Re-Imagine Europe
 - **Authorisation Processes of Plant Protection Products**

7. Up-date on ongoing and planned topics

16:45 – 18:30

(Presence P. Vallance)

- **Transforming the Future of Ageing**
Policy Context
- **Data Governance**
Scoping Workshop in Berlin, 6 June

19:30 Dinner

- End of first day -

2nd meeting day: 15 May 2019

8. Up-coming meetings

09:00 – 10:30

- Scoping Workshop Data Governance (6 June)
- Workshop on security challenges in the digital era, Vilnius (4/5 June) and African Swine Fever, Warsaw (6 June)
- European Science Advisors Forum Meeting (26/27 June, Dublin)
- World Conference of Science Journalists (1-5 July, Lausanne)
- 19th Plenary Meeting and Research & Innovation days, Brussels (24-26 Sept)
- Canadian Science Policy Conference (13-15 November, Ottawa)
- 20th Plenary Meeting TBD, Warsaw (10-12 December)

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

**9. Impact of science advice provided by the Scientific Advice Mechanism:
Feedback by Anne Bucher, Director-General for Health and Food Safety, on
published and ongoing topics**

11:00 – 12:00

10. Up-date on ongoing and planned topics cont'd

12:00 -13:00

- **Climate Change and Health**

*Presentation by Sir Andrew Haines, Expert of EASAC report,
Expert Workshop 7 June*

- **An EU Sustainable Food System**

11. Wrap up and AOB

13:00 – 13:15

13:15 – 14:00 Lunch

- End of Meeting -

List of Participants

Group of Chief Scientific Advisors

Rolf-Dieter Heuer, Chair;
Pearl Dykstra, Deputy Chair;
Janusz Bujnicki, Member;
Elvira Fortunato, Member;
Nicole Grobert, Member;
Carina Keskitalo, Member;

Additional Participants

Patrick Vallance, Chief Scientific Advisor to the UK Government (agenda items 5-7)
Andy Haines, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine (agenda item 11)

SAPEA (Science Advice to Policy by European Academies)

Sierd Cloetingh (President Academia Europaea), Chair of SAPEA board;
Rudolf Hielscher, SAPEA Coordinator;

European Commission

European Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation Carlos Moedas;
Keith Sequeira, Cabinet Moedas, European Commissioner for Research, Science and Innovation;
Anne Bucher, Director-General for Health and Food Safety (for agenda item 10);
Vladimir Šucha, Director-General of the Joint Research Centre (JRC) (for agenda item 10);
Wolfgang Burtscher, Deputy Director-General RTD;
Sabine Juelicher, Director of Directorate E Food and Feed Safety, Innovation of Directorate-General for Health and Food Safety (for agenda item 10);
Johannes Klumpers, DG RTD, Head of Unit 0.2 Scientific Advice Mechanism;
Jeremy Bray, DG RTD, Deputy Head of Unit 0.2 Scientific Advice Mechanism;
Sigrid Weiland, DG RTD, Unit 0.2 Scientific Advice Mechanism, Manager of the Group of Chief Scientific Advisors;
Several members of Unit 0.2 Scientific Advice Mechanism, depending on the respective agenda item