



Announcement of
International Stakeholder Seminar on Radiofrequency Policies

5 June 2013, 9:00am - 5:30pm

**French Agency for Food, Environmental
and Occupational Health & Safety (ANSES)**

27-31 avenue du Général Leclerc - 94701 Maisons-Alfort, France

and

Call for examples of good risk management practices

The World Health Organization (WHO) is seeking the views of stakeholders and interested parties in the process of preparing an Environmental Health Criteria monograph on radiofrequency (RF) fields. The monograph will include a scientific review of all studied health outcomes and it will provide an overview of risk management policies and practices around the world.

WHO is convening a seminar on 5 June 2013 at the French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health & Safety (ANSES) in Paris, France. The purpose of the seminar is to provide an opportunity for stakeholders to present their views on specific questions to be addressed during the course of this project. The discussions at the seminar and their conclusions will be considered carefully in the development of the WHO monograph.

The main objectives of the stakeholder seminar are:

- To gather stakeholder suggestions on technical topics to be covered in the monograph that are relevant for the development of risk management practices.
- To exchange information on national risk management practices that have been adopted or are under consideration regarding the usage of RF-based devices and technologies, based on a WHO survey undertaken in late 2012.
- To discuss the rationale for and the impact of risk management practices in different countries.

WHO wishes to ensure the participation of a range of stakeholders (e.g. public authorities, operators, environmental and consumer associations) from all WHO regions. Should there be too many interested speakers, WHO will reserve the right to combine interested parties so they can designate one speaker.

Individuals or organizations interested in attending this seminar are invited to submit a request for attendance to emfproject@who.int (subject line: RF Stakeholder seminar) as soon as

possible, but no later than 20 May 2013, to allow enough time to receive the invitation. Please be advised that admittance to the seminar will necessarily be limited to those who have received an official invitation.

In order to encourage an open discussion, media representatives are not being invited to attend the stakeholder seminar. Further details will be provided closer to the date of the meeting.

A summary of contributions made will be sent to seminar participants for information and for comment. Unfortunately, WHO is unable to meet any costs involved in attending this seminar.

CALL FOR GOOD PRACTICES

To supplement an existing WHO collection of relevant information, submission of written comments and examples of national or local “good practices” of RF risk management is encouraged. Of special interest are actions and policies that aim to lower exposure levels of the population at large (including in the occupational setting) and to deal with questions raised by members of the public.

Please make any written submission before 30 June 2013

The origin of all contributions must be identifiable (family name and E-mail address of authors) and this information will be kept confidential. Please send your contribution to any one of the two contact persons (see below).

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