

Thursday, 2 June 2016

10:00–10:30 a.m.
Coffee and Registration

10:30–10:45 a.m.

Welcome/Introduction

Professor Dr Dr Andreas Hensel, President,
Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR)

10:45–11:30 a.m.

Risk Communication: Participatory Dialogue at BfR

PD Dr Gaby-Fleur Boel, Head of Department
Risk Communication, BfR

11:30–11:45 a.m.

Paris Risk Group (PRG): Mission Statement

Benoit Vergriette, PRG Steering Committee
French Agency for Food, Environmental and Occupational Health Safety (ANSES)

11:45 a.m.–12:00 p.m. **Discussion**

12:00–1:30 p.m. Lunch

I Plenary 1: Function, Challenges and Pitfalls: Participation in Risk Governance

Chair: Dr Astrid Epp, BfR

1:30–2:15 p.m.

Participation and the Nature of Risks

Prof Dr Ortwin Renn, Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies (IASS)

2:15–2:30 p.m. **Discussion**

II Plenary 2: Participation in European Risk Agencies

Chair: Dr Ric van Poll, National Institute for Public Health and the Environment (RIVM)

2:30–3:00 p.m.

Stakeholder engagement at RIVM. Why do we do it and what is the quality of current activities?

Jeroen Devilee, RIVM

3:00–3:30 p.m.

Stakeholder participation at ANSES: different modalities and evaluation

Dr Régine Boutrais, ANSES and Dr Aymeric Lu-
neau, CNRS/GIS Participation

3:30–3:45 p.m. Coffee Break

3:45–4:15 p.m.

The role of public dialogue in informing the future of food

Dr Joanna Disson, Food Standards Agency (FSA)

4:15–4:45 p.m.

Participation, deliberation, cooperation. Criteria for a successful process and content actors

Martina Eick, German Environment Agency (UBA)

4:45–5:15 p.m.

Participation at EFSA's scientific opinion on caffeine and stakeholders

Lucia de Luca, European Food Safety Authority (EFSA)

5:15–5:45 p.m. **Discussion**

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III Plenary 3: Towards effective public participation procedures

Chair: Eve Feinblatt, ANSES

9:00–9:30 a.m.

Public Engagement in Policy Decisions

Prof Lynn Frewer, University Newcastle

9:30–10:00 a.m.

Putting old wine in new bottles? The challenges of participatory sciences

Dr Pierre-Benoit Joly, Institut National de Recherche Agronomique (INRA)

10:00–10:30 a.m. **Discussion**

10:30–10:45 a.m. Coffee Break

IV Parallel Session 1: Case Studies – Public participation approaches on electromagnetic fields (EMF)

Chair: Dr Hans Keune, Institute for Nature and Forest (INBO)

10:45–11:15 a.m.

The RF EMF Case – Challenges for public participation and consultation

Dr Peter Wiedemann, Berlin

11:15–11:45 a.m.

Public Consultation on “Radiofrequencies and Children”

Olivia Delgado Roth, ANSES

11:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

The case of knowledge platforms: Electromagnetic Fields (EMF)

Dr Ric van Poll, RIVM

12:15–12:45 p.m. **Discussion**

IV Parallel Session 2: Case Studies – Public participation approaches in environmental and worker protection

Chair: Dr Beverly Bishop, Health and Safety Executive (HSE)

10:45–11:15 a.m.

VOCE Project / Citizen Observation of the Environment

Philippe Chamaret, Institut Ecocitoyen pour la connaissance des pollutions

11:15–11:45 a.m.

EU Air Quality and Citizen Science

Dr Hans Keune, INBO

11:45–12:15 a.m.

Faster, Cheaper and Still Robust: A Practical Introduction of the Black Method for Quantitative Research

Kyran Donald, HSE

12:05–12:45 p.m. **Discussion**

IV Parallel Session 3: Public participation for decision making

10:45–11:15 a.m.

The Societal incubator and nanofood: A solution for waiting games?”

Dr Erik de Bakker, Wageningen University

11:15–11:45 a.m.

Participation in flood risk management and the public debate about the 2013 flood in Germany*Dr Christian Kuhlicke, Helmholtz-Centre for Environmental Research (UFZ)*

11:45 a.m.–12:15 p.m.

Public participation and access to knowledge: the case of conservation agriculture*Dr Pauline Landel, former INRA*12:15–12:45 p.m. **Discussion**12:45–1:30 p.m. *Slight lunch***III Closing Session: Lessons Learned**

1:30–2:30 p.m.

Reports from the parallel sessions (incl. discussions)**IV Closing Remarks**

2:30–2:45 p.m.

Final Discussion/Closing Remarks*Professor Dr Dr Andreas Hensel, BfR***Venue**berlinbiotechpark, Conference Center,
Max-Dohm-Straße 8–10, 10589 Berlin, GermanyThe venue is on the same site as the BfR location
“Jungfernheide”.https://www.bfr.bund.de/en/location_jungfernheide-128551.htmlPlease use the main entrance of “berlinbiotechpark”
(approx. 50 m to the right of the BfR building, marked
light green). Be prepared to show your identity card.**Registration**This event is open to the public and free of
charge, however, registration is necessary.Please register by **30 May 2016** using the inter-
net form under menu item “Events” on
www.bfr.bund.de/en/events.html**4th Annual Workshop of the Paris Risk Group (PRG)**

This year, the Federal Institute for Risk Assessment (BfR) hosts the 4th Annual Workshop of the Paris Risk Group (PRG), a network of social scientists working for or with organisations involved in risk assessment and management.

Public participation, stakeholder involvement and engagement are well-established concepts in academia as well as an integral part of the risk analysis framework that includes risk assessment, risk management and risk communication. Participatory and cooperative forms of communication have also been described as one characteristic of a new mode of governance, that takes into account not only scientific knowledge but aims at producing a robust knowledge base for policy decisions. Against this background, risk agencies have to varying degrees incorporated participation and stakeholder involvement, but these institutional reactions differ among countries and cases. Accordingly, risk agencies in different countries have employed participatory approaches differently. Finally, different cases demand for different solutions, leading to different participatory answers.

Therefore, the workshop aims at bringing together not only the academic and the practical perspective but provides an overview of theoretical approaches that strongly support participatory approaches and of approaches that tend to take up a more sceptical stance on participation. In a second step, real-life experiences from different countries and institutions will be introduced, aiming to provide an overview of already existing and established participation procedures at different levels of the risk analysis process. Finally, the experiences presented will be discussed with social scientists and risk assessors, risk managers and risk communicators to ensure a dialogue on the pros and cons of participation with stakeholders from all parts of the risk analysis process.

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Participation in Risk Assessment – Modes of Risk Governance in European Risk Assessment and Risk Management Institutions

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