

Minutes of the kick-off meeting SC New Gases 20th April 2021 – WEBCO

Start & end of the meeting: 10h30 - 12h00
Venue: Web-conference

Attendants: Manuel Coxe, Anne-Sophie Decaux, Frank Graf, Jairo Soto Rey, José Miguel Tudela, Benjamin de Ville de Goyet, José Lana, Eugenio Salati, Vivi Gouriotti, Leen Pronk, Hélène Giouse, Paul Hogewoning; Asger Myken, Alejandra Casola, Khamis Souidi, Henk Brands, Leo van Gruijthuijsen, Christophe Erhel, Gert Müller-Syring, Aurélie Carayol

Apologized: Marc Berger, Maurice Mennereau, Jim Sibley, Stéphane Rossato, Hiltrud Schülken

TOP 1 Opening of the Session

The chair welcomed the members and opened the meeting.

TOP 2 Missions of SC New Gases

Manuel Coxe presented the mission of SCH2+ that was approved by the Executive Board in March 21. Main task is to coordinate and promote the work between the three SCs with regard to hydrogen, biomethane and synthetic gases. Furthermore, the liaison with experts in other associations should be facilitated and the agenda on hydrogen and green gases should be driven actively.

TOP 3 New cooperations and liaisons in Marcogaz

Manuel Coxe highlighted the latest cooperation and liaison activities in the field of new gases. Beside others Hydrogen Europe is very important for the promotion of hydrogen in context with the gas infrastructure. Further cooperations with European Biogas Association and H2GAR are in planning phase.

TOP 4 Ongoing activities on new gases in Marcogaz

The ongoing activities in the different Working Groups/ Task Forces of the Standing Committees were presented briefly by the respective chair/secretary. Hereby, demands, recommendations and expectations for the work of SCH2+ were addressed.

TOP 5 Terms of references and next steps

Frank Graf summarized the findings and recommendations of the WP/TF concerning the ToR of SCH2+. A first analysis shows that the main focus of the activities should be related to the internal communication and information. For instance, a sharepoint with common documents on hydrogen and other new gases would be helpful.

Furthermore it was discussed which gases are relevant for SCH2+ (H₂, biogas, SNG, CO₂ (?) NH₃ (?)) and which sources should be considered (focus on green gases, hydrogen from natural gas) A final decision has to be taken by the Excecutive Board.
The next step for SCH2+ is the elaboration of a working program. A draft document will be edited by the chair and circulated within the next weeks to be discussed in the next SC meeting.

TOP 6 AOB

No additional issues

TOP 7 Date & place of the next meeting

The next meeting will take place in the end of June 2021. A meeting poll will be sent to the members.