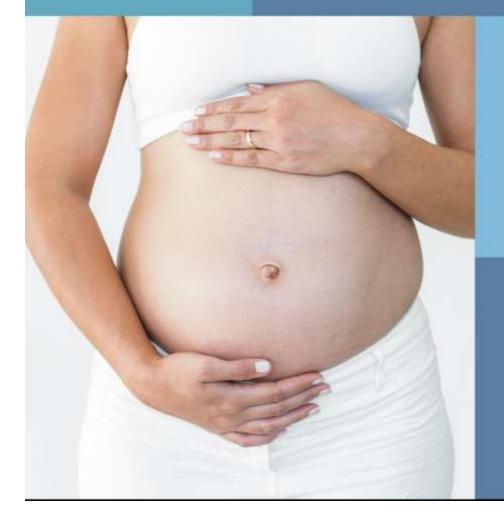
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## Paris 9 juin 2016 Palais du Luxembourg 9h —18h

# Halte à la contamination chimique des femmes enceintes et des bébés!



Mobiliser les pouvoirs publics, les professionnels de la périnatalité et la société civile pour la prévention



# Preventing early life exposures to chemical contaminants

Mobilizing public authorities, perinatal professionals and civil society for prevention

## June 9th 2016

9 am – 6 pm Palais du Luxembourg Salle Clemenceau



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« What FIGO is saying is that physicians...need to advocate policies that will protect our patients and communities from the dangers of involuntary exposure to toxic chemicals.»

Jeanne A. Conry, MD, PhD, past president of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists



### Introduction

#### **International Symposium**

#### « Preventing early life exposures to chemical contaminants »

On June 9th, WECF France\* organizes in Paris an international symposium to point out the specific hazards that chemical contaminations represent to pregnant women and babies.

The event aims at encouraging children and health professionals, public authorities and civil society to commit to environmental health, one of the biggest public health challenge of our times.

The event is as well an opportunity to disseminate further the Opinion on chemical contaminants impacts on reproductive health, which was released by the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) at its last Congress in Vancouver in October 2015.

Before they are even born, children are exposed to a variety of chemical contaminants, including endocrine disruptors (EDCs). Endocrine disruptors are chemicals can be found in many everyday products (packaging, pesticides, cosmetics, linings, detergents, etc.).

Both health professionals and scientists are warning about the alarming increase of a range of diseases linked to perinatal exposure to toxic chemicals, including birth defects, infertility, neurodevelopmental disorders, cancer, respiratory diseases, obesity, diabetes, etc.).

The morning sessions will be dedicated to presentations by international gynecologists, obstetricians, research scientists, on the situation on environmental chemicals impacts on human (reproductive) health. In the afternoon, roundtable sessions will explore policy tools and practices preventing perinatal exposure to toxic chemicals.

WECF France advocates for the development of efficient prevention policies of global exposure of pregnant women and newborns to toxic chemicals, especially through the integration of environmental health in public health policies and practices.

The event takes place in the French Senate and is supported by the French Ministry of Environment, Energy and the Sea.

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#### **WECF France**

\* WECF France est l'antenne française du réseau international *Women in Europe for a Common Future*, réseau de 150 organisations féminines et environnementales qui porte la voix des femmes pour une transition écologique. Nous agissons dans quatre domaines : eau et assainissement, agriculture durable, énergie et changement climatique et produits chimiques et santé. Les projets que nous menons en partenariat avec nos membres apportent des solutions sûres et écologiques à des problèmes locaux. Notre travail de plaidoyer porte le témoignage des femmes auprès des décideurs politiques aux niveaux national, européen et international. WECF est partenaire officiel du Programme des Nations Unies pour l'Environnement.

WECF France, créée en 2008, a développé là l'échelle nationale des programmes de sensibilisation et d'information en santé environnementale *Nesting* et *Ma Maison Ma Santé*. En 2013 WECF a participé à la création de la structure IFSEN (Institut de Formation en Santé Environnementale). WECF France met également en œuvre des projets locaux pour l'agriculture durable de proximité sur le bassin lémanique, développe des actions pour appuyer l'activité de femmes en milieu rural en Arménie et anime depuis janvier 2014 le réseau Genre et Développement de Rhône-Alpes.

www.wecf.eu/francais www.projetnesting.fr www.mamaisonmasante.fr www.wecf.eu 9.00 am - Introduction, Anne Barre, co-president WECF France

**9.30 am – Opening speech** by Ségolène Royal, Minister of the Environment, Energy and the Sea. France

**9.45** am -11 am Session 1 – FIGO international call for prevention of perinatal exposure to toxic chemicals: a strong message of Obstetricians and Gynecologists worldwide Chair: Gérard Bapt, Member of Parliament, chair of Health and Environment Group of National Health and Environment Action Plan, France

FIGO Opinion: health practitioners warning on the impacts of chemical contamination on human health, Dr Jeanne Conry, past president of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), member of FIGO, Assistant Physician-in-chief, Kaiser Permanente, USA

Moving from awareness to action on preventing exposure to toxic environmental chemicals, Patrice Sutton, Academic Coordinator, Program on Reproductive Health and the Environment, University of California, San Francisco, USA

Endometriosis: epidemiological aspects and environmental risk factors, Pr. Philippe Descamps, member of French National College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (CNGOF), Obstetrician at Angers University Hospital, France

#### 11 am- 1.15 am - Q&A session

## 11.15 am – 12.30 am Session 2 - How early life environmental and chemical contamination impacts human health: a scientific perspective

Chair: Jean-Louis Roumégas, Member of Parliament, Chair of health and environment working group of the French Parliament, France

Expertise on endocrine disrupting chemicals: experience from Anses, Jean-Nicolas Ormbsy, Deputy Director for Risk assessment, Environmental health, French Agency for food, environmental and occupational health and safety (Anses)

Chemical mixtures exposure during pregnancy and their effects on the health of newborns, Pr Dr Ibrahim Chahoud, Charité Universitätsmedizin Berlin

UV filters in sunscreens: EDCs exposing children, Pr Anna-Maria Andersson, Department Growth and Reproduction, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen

12.30 am -12.45 am - Q&A session

12.45 am – 1.45 pm - Lunch buffet – room René Coty

## 2 pm-3.45 pm – Roundtable 1 – Integrating environmental health in the practices of perinatal and health professionals to make prevention happen

Opening: Aline Archimbaud, Senator of district of Seine-Saint-Denis and Corinne Bouchoux, Vice-president of the Delegation for women's rights and equality between men and women of French Senate

Facilitator: Dominique Guizien, Board Member WECF France

Pr Robert Gould, Member of Physicians for Social Responsibility and Programme for Reproductive Health and the Environment, University of California, San Francisco Dr Pascale Mirakian, endocrinologist-gynecologist, private hospital Natecia Sylvie Drugeon, Health and Environment officer, Regional Health Agency Ile-de-France Sylvie Joviado, Director, Center of Sustainable Development in Health (C2DS) Delphine Dubos, Midwife, Belledonne private hospital

Pr. André Picot, Toxicologist, founder and former chair of the prevention of chemical risk at CNRS, president of the Association Toxicology Chemistry (ATC)

#### 3.45 pm- 4 pm – Q&A session

## $4\ pm-5.30\ pm$ - Roundtable 2 - Policies and tools in France and Europe to prevent perinatal exposure to chemical contaminants

Facilitator: Marie-Jeanne Husset, Board member and experts committee member WECF France

Catherine Bassani-Pillot, City of Nantes, European Healthy Cities Network of World Health Organization

Catherine Mir, Department of environmental health, chemicals and agriculture, General Directorate for Risks Prevention (DGPR), Ministry of Environment, Energy and the Sea Caroline Paul, Department of Environment and Chemicals, General Health Directorate (DGS), Ministry of Health and Social affairs

Genon K. Jensen, Executive Director, Health and Environment Alliance Estelle Kleffert, Director, Generations Cobayes Movement

#### 5.30 pm - Q&A session

**5.30 pm - Conclusion**: Véronique Moreira, co-president WECF France

« Given accumulating evidence of adverse health impacts related to toxic chemicals, including the potential for intergenerational harm, FIGO has proposed a series of recommendations...to reduce the burden of unsafe chemicals on patients and communities."»

Professor Sir Sabaratnam Arulkumaran, MD, President de la British Medical Association, Past president of hte International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO)





**Anne Barre, Founder and Co-president WECF France** 

Anne Barre graduated in International Management, she worked in communication and corporate strategy before getting involved in ecology and environmental health 11 years ago. She founded the French branch of Women in Europe for a Common Future in 2008.



Gérard Bapt, Member of Parliament, chair of Health and Environment Steering Group of National Health and Environment Action Plan, France

Gérard Bapt is Member of Parliament and cardiologist. He is member of the Social Affairs committee at the National Assembly, member of the Board of Directors of the National Agency for the Safety of Pharmaceutical and Health products (ANSM). He is Rapporteur of the Income and Global Balance Section of the Social Security Law (for 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016). He chairs the working group on digital Health and he is a member of Food and Health and Environmental Health working groups. He also acts as president of the Environmental Health Steering group (GSE) of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Health and Environmental National Action Plan (PNSE 3).



Dr Jeanne Conry, past president of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), Assistant Physician-in-chief, Kaiser Permanente, USA

Jeanne Conry, MD, PhD is a Past President of the American Congress of Obstetricians and Gynecologists, a membership organization representing over 57,000 practicing obstetricians and gynecologists. She has supported guideline development and national policy that address the important role of Reproductive Health and the Environment. She is spearheading efforts on the National Maternal Health Initiative, a comprehensive and collaborative project that focuses on improved maternal outcomes. She has addressed efforts on Quality and Safety in Maternity Care through improved standards and responses in high risk obstetrics. And, she oversaw the Well Woman Task Force, a collaborative effort of organizations that provide women's health care.

Dr. Conry is Past Chair of ACOG California, where she oversaw the Interconception Care Project, a March of Dimes Grant to ACOG to improve preconception health care in California and a project to reduce elective deliveries before 39 weeks. She is currently serving as a member of the Select Panel on Preconception Care for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and is past Chair for the Preconception Health Council of California. In 2012, Dr. Conry received the Environmental Achievement Award from the United States Environmental Protection Agency for work on reproductive health and the environment. In 2013, she received the Visionary Leadership Award from the University of California San Francisco Program on Reproductive Health and the Environment for her visionary leadership to improve reproductive health by preventing harmful environmental exposures. And, in 2014, the United States House of Representatives acknowledged her accomplishments in women's health and entered a commendation into the Congressional Record. In 2015, Dr. Conry led efforts for the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics to adopt policy around Reproductive Health and the Environment, and now is Co-Chair for the FIGO Working Group on Reproductive and Environmental Developmental Health

Dr. Conry has been a practicing obstetrician gynecologist at Kaiser Permanente for 26 years. She serves in a leadership capacity, as the Assistant Physician-in-Chief for Kaiser Permanente's Sacramento Roseville region, where she developed the Women and Children's Center, the largest obstetric delivery service in the region. Dr. Conry earned her medical degree from the University of California, Davis, where she also completed her residency in obstetrics and gynecology. She earned a Doctor of Philosophy degree in biology from the University of Colorado. She serves as an Associate Clinical Professor at the University of California, Davis.



Patrice Sutton, Academic Coordinator, Programme on Reproductive Health and the Environment, University of California, San Francisco, USA

Patrice Sutton, MPH, is Academic Coordinator and Research Scientist at the University of California San Francisco (UCSF) Program on Reproductive Health and the Environment (PRHE). Ms. Sutton has 27 years of experience in occupational and environmental health research, industrial hygiene, public health practice, policy development and community-based advocacy. Currently, she is the Director of PRHE's Community Outreach and Translation Core, responsible for moving the basic research generated by UCSF's Pregnancy Exposure to Environmental Chemicals (PEEC) Children's Center into preventative action in clinical and policy settings. Over the past 6 years at UCSF, Ms. Sutton has built, led and sustained the extensive partnerships that are at the heart of PRHE's outreach and translation activities, the From Advancing Science to Ensuring Prevention (FASTEP) Alliance, a multi-disciplinary group of clinical and scientific experts and advocates in the fields of reproductive, occupational, environmental and pediatric medicine, public health, and toxicology representing academic, governmental and non-governmental organizations and the Navigation Guide Work Group, which now totals 75 national and international scientists, clinicians and community-based partners and patient advocates working to develop an evidence-based methodology to bridge the gap between environmental health science and clinical medicine. Prior to her work at UCSF, Ms. Sutton was a contractor to California's state health department, where she was responsible for conducting all aspects of research investigations spanning a disparate range of issues, including lead poisoning, tuberculosis, asthma, and pesticide-illness. She has extensive experience collaborating with directly-impacted workplace and community-based populations, labor, and governmental and non-governmental organizations in the development of research strategies and policy recommendations to prevent harmful environmental exposures. She has published over 60 peer-reviewed scientific articles, book chapters and government technical reports.



Pr Philippe Descamps, member of French National College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (CNGOF), Obstetrician at Angers University Hospital, France

Pr. Philippe Descamps is obstetrician gynecologist, head of the Woman-Mother-Child Unit at the University Hospital (CHU) of Angers. Since 2015 he is a member of the Executive Board and representative of France at International Federation of Gynecologists and Obstetricians. After being completing his residency at the University Hospital (CHU) of Tours from 1983 to 1989, he was named Assistant to the Hospital for 4 years, then practitioner until 1996 and then moved to the University Hospital of Angers. His clinical and research activities focus on gynecological surgery and endometriosis. Philippe Descamps is also managing editor of "La lettre du Gynécologue", a member of the French National College of Gynecologists and Obstetricians (CNGOF) where he is in charge of international relations, and Vice-president of the Society of Gynecologic and Pelvic Surgery (SCGP). He is the author of more than 350 publications, in French and English.



Jean-Louis Roumégas, Member of Parliament, Chair of health and environment working group of the French Parliament, France

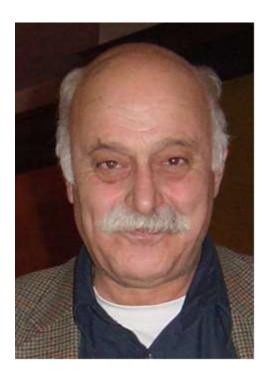
Jean-Louis Roumegas is Co-chair of the Health and environmental working group of the French Parliament. He is President and founder of the working group against interference of tobacco industry. He is a certified teacher, and has been chairing the Greens/Ecologist Group of Montpellier from 2001 to 2014, member of the city council of Montpellier in charge of "Sustainable city" a from 2001 to 2008 and spokesperson of the Greens from 2008 to 2011. As a Member of Parliament, he has been organizing a range of events dealing with the

following topics: pesticides, dental mercury, emerging diseases, endocrine disruptors. As member of the Committee for Social Affairs, he was Rapporteur for the law on "expertise independence on health and environment, and the protection of whistle blowers" in January 2013.



Jean-Nicolas Ormbsy, Deputy Director for Risk assessment, Environmental health, French Agency for food, environmental and occupational health and safety (Anses)

MD, MPH, Paris University. Senior public health officer. Previous positions include the following: French National School of Public health, public health post graduate curriculum advisor; European commission DGV, Europe against cancer programme, national expert; WHO-Euro EUROHEALTH programme, technical officer; various positions in the French National Health Board, head of unit, including quality of care, water quality, chronic diseases; French national environmental and occupational health and safety agency, Deputy Director for environmental health risk assessment.



Pr Dr Ibrahim Chahoud, Charité Universitätsmedizin Berlin

Ibrahim Chahoud is a guest professor of toxicology and was head of the Department of Reproductive Toxicology, Institute of Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology, Charitè University Medical School, Berlin, Germany. He is certified as Eurotox-registered Toxicologist of the European Toxicology Societies.

He is head of the Annual Education Course in Reproductive Toxicology on behalf of the German Toxicology Society. He supervised similar courses in Austria, Malaysia, Egypt and Syria. He was head of the CASCADE RA-Course Reproductive and Developmental Toxicology, Advanced International Training Courses in Health Risk Assessment. He has authored and co-authored about 200 peer reviewed papers in the field of reproductive toxicology.

He was principal investigator of the WHO Collaborating Center for Developmental Toxicity. Further he was coordinator of the Inter-Institutional Cooperation Program between WHO Collaborating Center for Developmental Toxicity, Institute of Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology, Berlin and the Shanghai Institute of Planned Parenthood Research, WHO Collaborating Center, Shanghai, China. He was coordinator of the Inter-Institutional Cooperation Program between the Institute of Clinical Pharmacology and Toxicology, Berlin and the Institute of Environmental Toxicology at the Oswaldo-Cruz Foundation, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.



Pr Anna-Maria Andersson, Department Growth and Reproduction, Rigshospitalet, Copenhagen

Since early 1990'ies her research area has mainly been male reproductive health with emphasis on male reproductive hormones and their role in gonadal development and function. Her work in this area has also led her into the field of environmental endocrine disrupting chemicals and their possible impact on human reproductive health. She is laboratory leader of the hormone and chemistry laboratory at Dept. of Growth and Reproduction and have many years experience in hormone immunoassays. Since 2004 her research interests have also included human biomonitoring of non-persistent environmental chemicals matrices and their possible associations to human health.



Corinne Bouchoux, Maine-et-Loire senator, Vice-chair of the *Delegation for women's rights* of French Senate

Corinne Bouchoux is senator of Maine-et-Loire and research engineer. She graduated from the Political Sciences Institute of Paris (Sciences-Po), and has a secondary school teaching diploma (CAPES) in economic and social sciences and has a doctorate in history. She has been teacher and head teacher in secondary school, and lecturer in Sciences-Po (from 1989 to 2002). She has also been teaching at Agrocampus from 2007 to 2011. Corinne Bouchoux was elected Senator in 2011. She is Vice-president of the ecologist group in the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Vice-president of the Commission of the Senate Culture, Education and Communication, and Vice-president of the Senate Delegation of the Senate for prospective. She is also Vice-president of the Delegation for women's rights of the Senate, and President of the working group on Photography and the others visual arts. She is Co-rapporteur of the report "les adjuvants vaccinaux: une question controversée" in name of the Parliamentary Office for evaluating scientific and technological choices (OPECST) and also Member of the Commission for Access to Administrative Documents (CADA).



Aline Archimbaud, Senator of Seine-Saint-Denis

Aline Archimbaud is Senator of Seine-Saint-Denis district and member of Europe-Ecologie-les-Verts (Green party) since September 2011. She is secretary of the Committee for Social Affairs and Overseas Delegation. She is founder of the first alternative and solidarity economy networks since 1985. She is a member of the Green party since 1992 and has been Member of the European Parliament until 1994. In 1993 she authored the first parliamentary report on the promotion of the social and solidarity economy. She has been national treasurer of the Greens from 1999 to 2002. She has launched the development of one of the first eco-

neighborhood project in Seine-Saint-Denis. Aline Archimbaud has decided to dedicate her term of office to fight any form of exclusion. As member of the Committee for Social Affairs, she devotes herself to help victims of drugs and asbestos, and to fight for environmental health, the amelioration of mental health conditions, detention conditions, against inadequate housing or the rights of Roma people.



#### **Dominique Guizien, Board Member WECF France**

Dominique Guizien is a lawyer specialized in International Law. She has been expert for several organizations (Unesco, Council of Europe...), and has also acted as representative of several NGOs active in the field of human rights in the United Nations Organization. She has devoted her career to civil society associations and activism for the progress of human rights, whether of economic, social, environmental, cultural or political nature.



Robert Gould, Member of Physicians for Social Responsibility and Programme for Reproductive Health and the Environment, University of California, San Francisco

Robert M. Gould, MD graduated from Albert Einstein College of Medicine, and from 1981 until 2012 worked as a Pathologist at Kaiser Hospital in San Jose. In 2012 Bob was appointed as an Associate Adjunct Professor in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Reproductive Sciences at the UCSF School of Medicine, to serve as Director of Health Professional Outreach and Education for the UCSF Program on Reproductive Health and the Environment (PRHE). Since 1989, he has been President of the San Francisco-Bay Area Chapter of Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR), and in 2003 was President of National PSR, to serve again in this capacity in 2014. Since 1986, Bob has been an active in the Peace Caucus of the American Public Health Association, for which he has been Chairperson for numerous years, and in 2009 APHA awarded Bob the prestigious Sidel-Levy Peace Award. In addition to speaking and publishing extensively on the clinician's role in environmental and

public health advocacy, Bob is an expert on the environmental and public health impacts of nuclear weapons; he is a contributing author to chapters on health impacts of nuclear weapons and nuclear terrorism in "War and Public Health" (2008) and "Terrorism and Public Health" (2011) published by Oxford University Press. Since 1992 Bob has been a leading member of the Environmental Committee of the Santa Clara County chapter of the California Medical Association (CMA), and through this work has authored and submitted numerous environmental health resolutions adopted by CMA as policy. For his work within CMA, he received the Santa Clara County Medical Association's "Outstanding Contribution in Community Service" award in 2001, and "Outstanding Contribution to the Medical Society award in 2012. Dr. Gould was also listed as one of Santa Clara County's "Top 400 Physicians" in peer-review surveys published in San Jose Magazine in 2001 through 2007.



#### Dr Pascale Mirakian, Endocrinologist-gynecologist, private hospital Natecia

Dr. Mirakian graduated in cell and molecular biology and reproduction biology. Until 2012, she has been practitioner in the endocrinology Department at the University Hospital Center (CHU) of Lyon. Since 2009, she is a medical specialist at Natecia private hospital in the field of gynecological endocrinology and assisted reproductive technology. In 2007 (Strasbourg) and 2008 (Monaco), she gave her first conferences on endocrine disruptors. Since 2010, she organizes an annual symposium on the impact of environmental contaminants on the health of women, mothers and children. This way, she –and her team- can stay aware of emerging science, and disseminate them to all their colleagues interested in environmental and reproductive health. Dr Mirakian does also meet infertile couples upstream the conception and at the beginning of the pregnancy: these moments are convenient to inform couples about environmental pollutants.

#### Sylvie Drugeon, Health and Environment officer, Regional Health Agency Ile-de-France

An engineer specialized in health, Sylvie Drugeon started her career in the Directorate General for Health as officer dealing in charge of waste-related health impacts. She then joined the Ministry of Ecology where she was in charge of the relations with Afsset, and was subsequently named to assist the head of the Chemicals Unit in the General Directorate for Risks Prevention, where she lead mainly the implementation of the REACH regulation, and activities related to endocrine disruptors. Since January 2016, she is responsible of the Health Environment division of the delegation of Paris within the Regional Health Agency (ARS) Ile-de-France.



Sylvie Joviado, Director, Center of Sustainable Development in Health (C2DS)

Sylvie Joviado is Director of the Center of Sustainable Development in Health (C2DS), an organization created in 2006 and gathering health professionals involved in sustainable development. Today, C2DS has around 500 subscribers, including health facilities and medical and social services, which care about sustainable development. A trained dietician, Sylvie Joviado obtained a master degree in Health facilities and social services management and a diploma of Indoor environment health advisor. She has been an executive in health facilities during more than 15 years, and then consultant for an agency specialized in sustainable development approach in health sectors. She has been Director of the C2DS for more than 1 year.



Delphine Dubos, Midwife, Belledonne private hospital

Delphine Dubos is a trained midwife since 1999. She has been working for ten years in Belledonne private hospital. In 2009 she benefited from an innovative project directed by Dr. André Benbassa: the "Nesting" workshops. WECF has trained midwifes to facilitate these workshops which aim to assist parents-to-be and young parents in promoting a healthy environment for children and promoting behavior changes. For 6 years she has been facilitating workshops for future parents. This year, she directed perinatal health-environment courses for midwives students in Grenoble. She also consolidated her health and environment training by following the courses of the Training Institute in Environmental Health (IFSEN) in France.



Pr André Picot, Toxicologist, founder and former chair of the prevention of chemical risk at CNRS, president of the Association Toxicology Chemistry (ATC)

Pr André Picot is an engineer in biology-chemistry (CNAM Paris) and doctor in physical sciences (Paris-Sud University). Toxico-chemist, he has worked as a research engineer then head of research team at the National Scientific Research Center (CNRS) from 1976 to 1989 and the Institute for the chemistry of natural substances. In 1989, he founded the Prevention of Chemical Risks Unit, part of the CNRS, and he directed it until 2001. This unit promotes toxico-chemistry and eco-toxico chemistry. From 1990 to 2002, he was French Expert for the Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits (SCOEL) of the European Union. He has achieved a lot of expertise and interventions for different ministries (Research, Labour, Health, Environment, Agriculture, Finance...) and for Health Agencies (AFSSA, AFSSET, etc.). He is president of the Association Toxicology Chemistry (ATC), where he is also coresponsible for the scientific academic programme in toxicology, toxico-chemistry, fundamental industrial and environmental eco-toxico chemistry. He is honorary head of research at the CNRS and university lecturer for education of Basic and Applied Toxicology, Toxico-chemistry, and in the field of chemical risks and pharmacochemistry. He is the author of more than 75 scientific publications among which the last two in 2013: Sécurité et prévention des risques en laboratoire de Chimie et de Biochimie, together with Jean Ducret and Ecotoxicochimie appliquée aux hydrocarbures, together with Fréderic Montandon.



Marie-Jeanne Husset, Board member and experts committee member WECF France

During 18 years until December 2012, Marie-Jeanne Husset has been Editorial Director of 60 Millions de consommateurs and she has also been Executive Director during the last 6 years. She graduated as a physicist and a mathematics teacher, and became a journalist in 1975. She has collaborated with several newspapers, including Le Monde and Sciences et vie, and she has been head of sections dealing with Industries et techniques. In 1980 she participated to the creation of the magazine Ca m'intéresse. Until 1989 she has been responsible for the sciences and technology. She has been working to release scientific reports for TV (Envoyé special) and radio (France Culture). She has been president of the Association of Scientific Journalists of Information Press (AJSPI). During her entire career, she has been involved in debates around sciences and society.



Catherine Bassani-Pillot, City of Nantes, European Healthy Cities Network of World Health Organization

Catherine Bassani-Pillot graduated in social sciences. She has 30 years of experience in organization management and communication (focused on change management and group cohesion). Since 2014, she is elected in the City council of Nantes, as representative of the ecologist and citizen group. She acts as delegate for environmental health and president of an organisation in charge of water quality, biodiversity. She is also Co-president of the Association of Ecologist and Citizen Observation AVEC Nantes, and a member of the European Network of Healthy Cities of World Health Organization.



Catherine Mir, Department of environmental health, chemicals and agriculture, General Directorate for Risks Prevention (DGPR), Ministry of Environment, Energy and the Sea

Catherine Mir assists the Head of unit on risks prevention related to environment within the General Directorate for Risk Prevention (DGPR) of the Ministry of Environment, Energy and the Sea. She is responsible of the department Health-environment, chemicals and agriculture, and represents France in the Executive Boards of the European Chemicals Agency (EChA). This department is in charge of development and implementation of health-environment policies in close collaboration with the Ministry responsible for Health. She has particularly elaborated -in cooperation with the Ministry in charge of Health- the national strategy relative to endocrine disruptors adopted in April 2014. She acts as French competent authority for negotiation and implementation of several international chemical regulations or agreements, in particular "Reach" or "Biocides" regulations, the Montreal Protocol relative to ozone-depleting substances or the Rotterdam Convention on prior informed consent. She drafts and implements regulations relatives to agricultural classified installations and to genetically modified organisms.



Caroline Paul, Department of Environment and Chemicals, General Health Directorate (DGS), Ministry of Health and Social affairs

After the 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle studies in environment, biochemistry, analytical chemistry, and after being in charge of the security management in several companies and research institutes, Caroline Paul has insured, as prevention engineer in the Ministry of Labor, the monitoring and negotiation of European and international rules related to the development of technical standards on the control and placing on the market of chemicals - evaluation, classification, information, risk management- and health standards for the protection of workers. Since 2002 she is head of the EA1 unit "external environment and chemicals" at the General Health Directorate. This unit is responsible for the implementation of the environmental health policy related to chemicals -including endocrine disruptors-, the toxico-vigilance, biomonitoring, emerging risks -including electromagnetic fields-, nanotechnologies, air quality, waste, polluted soils, within national, European and international frameworks.



**Genon K. Jensen, Executive Director, Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL)** 

Genon K. Jensen is the Founder and Executive Director of HEAL. Genon has been an official member of the World Health Organization's European Environment and Health process representing the health sector since 2000. She is also on the Steering Committee of the International POPs Elimination Network, and serves as the coordinator for the working groups on climate and asthma of the US Collaborative on Health and the Environment (CHE) and the CHE EDC Strategy working group. Before setting up HEAL, she was the Director of the European Public Health Alliance. She has a degree in journalism and international politics from George Washington University in Washington, DC and an MA in European Administrative Studies from the College of Europe, Belgium. Genon frequently contributes articles on environmental health policy, including on children's health, pesticides, mercury, endocrine disrupting chemicals (EDCs) and climate change, to various European and international specialist publications and newsletters. She is a co-author of several publications and reports, including "Halting the child brain drain: why we need to tackle global mercury contamination" (2006), "Cutting back on pesticides for healthier lives" (2007), "Acting NOW for better health: A 30% reduction target for EU climate policy" (2010), "The Unpaid Health Bill: How coal power plants make us sick" (2013), and "Health costs in the EU - How much is related to EDCs?" (2014).



**Estelle Kleffert, Director, Generations Cobayes** 

In 2011, Estelle Kleffert graduated in European and International Affairs from the Political Sciences Institute (IEP) of Grenoble. After several experiences in French administration and European institutions, she joined the associative sector (she has participated to the development of a *Ressourcerie project in Hauts-de-Seine*). In 2015, she joined the movement *Générations Cobayes* as a volunteer first and then as an employee. Générations Cobayes is an

association warning and mobilising the youth (18 to 35 years old) to the affiliation between health and environment, providing information and concrete solutions in order to provide welfare and avoid any risks. Today, this community is counting around 40 000 young committed to environmental health in France.



Véronique Moreira, co-president WECF France

Véronique Moreira is a graduated teacher, first for primary school level, and then as English language teacher. She has been an ecologist activist and spokesperson of the French district of Rhône for the ecological political movement in 2005. In 2004 she was elected became Member of Rhône-Alpes Regional Council. From 2010 to 2015, she was Vice-president of the Rhône-Alpes Regional Council, delegated to international cooperation. She is an active member of several local and international civil society movements. She has been co-president of WECF France since January 2016 and elected president of WECF France in June 2016.