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Aan de gemeenteraad

Onderwerp: De uitrol van 5G en de borging van de gezondheid van burgers in gemeente Lelystad.

Geachte raadsleden,

Wat is het kernvraagstuk?

De ontwikkelingen op het gebied van de draadloze technologie gaan erg snel. Onze wereld wordt steeds digitaler en er wordt steeds meer gebruik gemaakt van draadloze verbindingen. Met de komst van het Internet of Things (IoT) communiceren nu ook steeds meer apparaten draadloos met elkaar. Deze toename van draadloze toepassingen heeft tot gevolg dat er ook steeds meer zendantennes bij komen, waardoor ook de hoeveelheid elektromagnetische straling steeds meer en steeds sneller toeneemt. Dit heeft grote gevolgen voor de gezondheid van mensen, dieren en de natuur.

Na 2G (GSM), 3G (UMTS) en 4G (LTE) komt nu de 5e generatie (5G) van draadloze zendtechnieken er aan. De Rijksoverheid wil eind 2019 de 5G-frequenties gaan veilen en in 2020 de uitrol van 5G realiseren in Nederland. Dit heeft tot gevolg dat alle gemeenten te maken gaan krijgen met het aanleggen van de infrastructuur hiervoor (ondergrondse kabels en glasvezel) en de plaatsing van heel veel extra zendantennes op gemeenteground.

De 5G-technologie maakt gebruik van millimetergolven die een kort bereik hebben. Daarom moeten er heel veel kleine zendantennes (small cells) bijgeplaatst gaan worden om een volledige dekking te bereiken. Er wordt gesproken over de plaatsing van zendantennes om de tien tot twaalf huizen. Deze zullen dan in de directe leefomgeving van burgers geplaatst gaan worden op lantaarnpalen, verkeerslichten, bushokjes, reclame-zuilen, etc. De Rijksoverheid heeft op 3 juli 2018 het Actieplan Digitale Connectiviteit gepubliceerd. Hierin valt o.a. te lezen dat er een dekkingsplicht van 98% van de oppervlakte van elke gemeente van Nederland komt met een minimale datasnelheid van tenminste 100 Megabit per seconde.

Er zijn echter steeds meer burgers die nu al (ernstige) gezondheidsklachten ervaren door elektromagnetische straling van o.a. zendmasten, smartphones en wifi. De 5G-techniek maakt gebruik van andere (hogere) frequenties dan de huidige zendantennes. Er is nog maar zeer weinig onderzoek gedaan naar de specifieke effecten hiervan op onze gezondheid. Wel is al bekend dat deze hogere frequenties volledig in de huid worden geabsorbeerd. Aangezien er zenuwuiteinden, bloedvaten en hormonen in onze huid zitten, kan dit leiden tot allerlei biologische verstoringen waardoor o.a. dna-schade kan ontstaan.

Momenteel kunnen veel elektrogevoelige mensen, met de nodige aanpassingen, nog enigszins woon- en leefplekken zoeken waar het relatief stralingsarm is. Maar als er straks op elk hoek van de straat zendantennes staan, dan valt er niet meer aan te ontkomen. Dit creëert dan ook grote problemen voor burgers die hier mee te maken hebben. Daarnaast is er ook een grote groep elektrohypersensitieve mensen die, mede door financiële beperkingen, nu al in een uitzichtloze situatie zijn beland. Tot slot: De gemeenten van Brussel en Rome en delen van de USA hebben de uitrol van 5G niet toegestaan. Er zijn ook al rechters in het buitenland, die na bezwaren van burgers oordelen dat 5G niet door mag gaan.

Ik hoop dat u daar ook voor kiest. Zie voor de gehele tekst en de oproep van internationale wetenschappers nl. **"International Appeal: Stop 5G on Earth and in Space"**, de bijlagen. Dank u voor de aandacht.

Vriendelijke groet,

■■■■■ namens Bezorgde Burgers van "Pas op de Plaats voor Ongezonde Straling".



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INTERNATIONAL APPEAL

Stop 5G on Earth and in Space

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To the UN, WHO, EU, Council of Europe and governments of all nations,

We the undersigned scientists, doctors, environmental organizations and citizens from () countries, urgently call for a halt to the deployment of the 5G (fifth generation) wireless network, including 5G from space satellites. 5G will massively increase exposure to radio frequency (RF) radiation on top of the 2G, 3G and 4G networks for telecommunications already in place. RF radiation has been proven harmful for humans and the environment. The deployment of 5G constitutes an experiment on humanity and the environment that is defined as a crime under international law.

Executive summary

Telecommunications companies worldwide, with the support of governments, are poised within the next two years to roll out the fifth-generation wireless network (5G). This is set to deliver what is acknowledged to be unprecedented societal change on a global scale. We will have “smart” homes, “smart” businesses, “smart” highways, “smart” cities and self-driving cars. Virtually everything we own and buy, from refrigerators and washing machines to milk cartons, hairbrushes and infants’ diapers, will contain antennas and microchips and will be connected wirelessly to the Internet. Every person on Earth will have instant access to super-high-speed, low-latency wireless communications from any point on the planet, even in rainforests, mid-ocean and the Antarctic.

What is not widely acknowledged is that this will also result in unprecedented *environmental* change on a global scale. The planned density of radio frequency transmitters is impossible to envisage. In addition to millions of new 5G base stations on Earth and 20,000 new satellites in space, 200 billion transmitting objects, according to estimates, will be part of the Internet of Things by 2020, and one *trillion* objects a few years later. Commercial 5G at lower frequencies and slower speeds was deployed in Qatar, Finland and Estonia in mid-2018. The rollout of 5G at extremely high (millimetre wave) frequencies is planned to begin at the end of 2018.

Despite widespread denial, the evidence that radio frequency (RF) radiation is harmful to life is already overwhelming. The accumulated clinical evidence of sick and injured human beings, experimental evidence of damage to DNA, cells and organ systems in a wide variety of plants and animals, and epidemiological evidence that the major diseases of modern civilization—cancer, heart disease and diabetes—are in large part caused by electromagnetic pollution, forms a literature base of well over 10,000 peer-reviewed studies.

If the telecommunications industry’s plans for 5G come to fruition, no person, no animal, no bird, no insect and no plant on Earth will be able to avoid exposure, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year, to levels of RF radiation that are tens to hundreds of times greater than what exists today,

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without any possibility of escape anywhere on the planet. These 5G plans threaten to provoke serious, irreversible effects on humans and permanent damage to all of the Earth's ecosystems.

Immediate measures must be taken to protect humanity and the environment, in accordance with ethical imperatives and international agreements.

(Note: References are provided as [hyperlinks](#) and endnotes.)

5G will result in a massive increase in inescapable, involuntary exposure to wireless radiation

Ground-based 5G

In order to transmit the enormous amounts of data required for the Internet of Things (IoT), 5G technology, when fully deployed, will use millimetre waves, which are poorly transmitted through solid material. This will require every carrier to install base stations [every 100 metres](#)¹ in every urban area in the world. Unlike previous generations of wireless technology, in which a single antenna broadcasts over a wide area, 5G base stations and 5G devices will have [multiple antennas arranged in "phased arrays"](#)^{2,3} that work together to emit focused, steerable, laser-like beams that track each other.

Each 5G phone will contain dozens of tiny antennas, all working together to track and aim a narrowly focused beam at the nearest cell tower. The US Federal Communications Commission (FCC) [has adopted rules](#)⁴ permitting the effective power of those beams to be as much as 20 watts, ten times more powerful than the levels permitted for current phones.

Each 5G base station will contain hundreds or thousands of antennas aiming multiple laser-like beams simultaneously at all cell phones and user devices in its service area. This technology is called "multiple input multiple output" or MIMO. FCC rules permit the effective radiated power of a 5G base station's [beams to be as much as 30,000 watts](#) per 100 MHz of spectrum,² or equivalently 300,000 watts per GHz of spectrum, tens to hundreds of times more powerful than the levels permitted for current base stations.

Space-based 5G

At least five companies⁵ are proposing to provide 5G from space from a combined 20,000 satellites in low- and medium-Earth orbit that will blanket the Earth with powerful, focused, steerable beams. Each satellite will emit millimetre waves with an effective radiated power of [up to 5 million watts](#)⁶ from thousands of antennas arranged in a phased array. Although the energy reaching the ground from satellites will be less than that from ground-based antennas, it will irradiate areas of the Earth not reached by other transmitters and will be additional to ground-based 5G transmissions from billions of IoT objects. Even more importantly, the satellites will be located in the Earth's magnetosphere, which exerts a significant influence over the electrical properties of the atmosphere. ***The alteration of the Earth's electromagnetic environment may be an even greater threat to life than the radiation from ground-based antennas (see below).***

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Harmful effects of radio frequency radiation are already proven

Even before 5G was proposed, [dozens of petitions and appeals](#)⁷ by international scientists, including the [Freiburger Appeal](#) signed by over 3,000 physicians, called for a halt to the expansion of wireless technology and a moratorium on new base stations.⁸

In 2015, [215 scientists from 41 countries](#) communicated their alarm to the United Nations (UN) and World Health Organization (WHO).⁹ They stated that “numerous recent scientific publications have shown that EMF [electromagnetic fields] affects living organisms at levels well below most international and national guidelines”. More than 10,000 peer-reviewed scientific studies demonstrate harm to human health from RF radiation.^{10,11} Effects include:

- [Alteration of heart rhythm](#)¹²
- [Altered gene expression](#)¹³
- [Altered metabolism](#)¹⁴
- [Altered stem cell development](#)¹⁵
- [Cancers](#)¹⁶
- [Cardiovascular disease](#)¹⁷
- [Cognitive impairment](#)¹⁸
- [DNA damage](#)¹⁹
- [Impacts on general well-being](#)²⁰
- [Increased free radicals](#)²¹
- [Learning and memory deficits](#)²²
- [Impaired sperm function and quality](#)²³
- [Miscarriage](#)²⁴
- [Neurological damage](#)²⁵
- [Obesity and diabetes](#)²⁶
- [Oxidative stress](#)²⁷

Effects in children include [autism](#),²⁸ [attention deficit hyperactivity disorder \(ADHD\)](#)^{29,30} and [asthma](#).³¹

Damage goes well beyond the human race, as there is abundant evidence of harm to diverse plant- and [wildlife](#)^{32,33} and laboratory animals, including:

- [Ants](#)³⁴
- [Birds](#)^{35,36}
- [Forests](#)³⁷
- [Frogs](#)³⁸
- [Fruit flies](#)³⁹
- [Honey bees](#)⁴⁰
- [Insects](#)⁴¹
- [Mammals](#)⁴²
- [Mice](#)^{43,44}
- [Plants](#)⁴⁵
- [Rats](#)⁴⁶
- [Trees](#)⁴⁷

Negative [microbiological](#) effects⁴⁸ have also been recorded.

The WHO's International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC) concluded in 2011 that RF radiation of frequencies 30 kHz - 300 GHz are possibly [carcinogenic to humans \(Group 2B\)](#).⁴⁹ However, recent evidence, including the latest studies on cell phone use and brain cancer risks, indicate that [RF radiation is proven carcinogenic to humans](#)⁵⁰ and should now be classified as a “Group 1 carcinogen” along with tobacco smoke and asbestos.

Most contemporary wireless signals are pulse-modulated. Harm is caused by both the high-frequency carrier wave and the low-frequency pulsations.⁵¹

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The deployment of 5G satellites must be prohibited

The Earth, the ionosphere and the lower atmosphere form the global electric circuit⁵² in which we live. It is well established that [biological rhythms](#)—of humans,^{53,54} birds,⁵⁵ hamsters,⁵⁶ and spiders^{57,58}—are controlled by the Earth's natural electromagnetic environment and that the well-being of all organisms depends on the stability of this environment, including the [electrical properties of the atmosphere](#).^{59,60,61,62} [Cherry](#), in a groundbreaking paper,⁶³ explained the importance of the [Schumann resonances](#)⁶⁴ and why ionospheric disturbances can alter blood pressure and melatonin and cause “cancer, reproductive, cardiac and neurological disease and death”.

These elements of our electromagnetic environment have already been altered by radiation from power lines. [Power line harmonic radiation](#)⁶⁵ reaches the Earth's ionosphere and magnetosphere, where it is amplified by [wave-particle interactions](#).^{66,67} In 1985, Dr. Robert O. Becker warned that power line harmonic radiation had already changed the structure of the magnetosphere, and that the continued expansion of this effect “threatens the viability of all life on Earth”.⁶⁸ The placement of tens of thousands of satellites directly in both the ionosphere and magnetosphere, emitting modulated signals at millions of watts and millions of frequencies, is likely to alter our electromagnetic environment beyond our ability to adapt.⁶⁹

[Informal monitoring](#) has already provided evidence indicating serious effects on humans and animals from the approximately 100 satellites that have provided 2G and 3G phone service from low orbit since 1998. Such effects cannot be understood only from consideration of the low levels of radiation on the ground. Knowledge from other relevant scientific disciplines must be taken into account, including the fields of atmospheric physics and acupuncture.^{70,71,72,73} Adding 20,000 5G satellites will further pollute the [global electric circuit](#)^{74,75} and could [alter the Schumann resonances](#),⁷⁶ with which all life on Earth has evolved. The effects will be universal and may be profoundly damaging.

5G is qualitatively and quantitatively different from 4G

The idea that we will tolerate [tens to hundreds of times more radiation](#) at millimetre wavelengths is based on faulty modelling of the human body as a [shell filled with a homogeneous liquid](#).^{77,78} The assumption that millimetre waves do not penetrate beyond the skin completely ignores nerves,⁷⁹ blood vessels^{80,81} and other electrically conducting structures that can carry radiation-induced currents deep into the body.^{82,83,84} Another, potentially more serious error is that phased arrays are not ordinary antennas. When an ordinary electromagnetic field enters the body, it causes charges to move and currents to flow. But when extremely short electromagnetic pulses enter the body, something else happens: the moving charges themselves become little antennas that reradiate the electromagnetic field and send it deeper into the body. These reradiated waves are called [Brillouin precursors](#).⁸⁵ They become significant when either the power or the phase of the waves [changes rapidly enough](#).⁸⁶ 5G will probably satisfy both criteria.

In addition, shallow penetration in itself poses a unique danger to eyes and to the largest organ of the body, the skin, as well as to very small creatures. Peer-reviewed studies have recently been published, predicting [thermal skin burns](#)⁸⁷ in humans from 5G radiation and [resonant absorption by insects](#),⁸⁸ which absorb up to 100 times as much radiation at millimetre

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wavelengths as they do at wavelengths presently in use. Since [populations of flying insects have declined by 75-80 per cent](#) since 1989 even in protected nature areas,⁸⁹ 5G radiation could have catastrophic effects on insect populations worldwide. A [1986 study by Om Gandhi](#) warned that millimetre waves are strongly absorbed by the cornea of the eye, and that ordinary clothing, being of millimetre-size thickness, increases the absorption of energy by the skin by a resonance-type effect.⁹⁰ [Russell \(2018\)](#) reviews the known effects of millimetre waves on skin, eyes (including cataracts), heart rate, immune system and DNA.⁹¹

Regulators have deliberately excluded the scientific evidence of harm

Stakeholders thus far in the development of 5G have been industry and governments, while renowned international EMF scientists who have documented biological effects on humans, animals, insects and plants, and alarming effects on health and the environment in thousands of peer-reviewed studies have been excluded. The reason for the current inadequate safety guidelines is that [conflicts of interest](#) of standard-setting bodies “due to their relationships with telecommunications or electric companies undermine the impartiality that should govern the regulation of Public Exposure Standards for non-ionizing radiation”.⁹² Professor Emeritus Martin L. Pall lays out the conflicts of interest in detail, and the lists of important studies that have been excluded, in his [literature review](#).⁹³

The thermal hypothesis is obsolete – new safety standards are needed

Current safety guidelines are based on the [obsolete hypothesis](#) that heating is the only harmful effect of EMFs. As Markov and Grigoriev [have stated](#), “Today standards do not consider the real pollution of the environment with nonionizing radiation”.⁹⁴ Hundreds of scientists, including many signatories to this appeal, have proven that many different kinds of acute and chronic illnesses and injuries are [caused without heating](#) (“non-thermal effect”) from radiation levels far below international guidelines.⁹ Biological effects occur even at near-zero power levels. Effects that have been found at 0.02 picowatts (trillionths of a watt) per square centimetre or less include [altered genetic structure in E. coli](#)⁹⁵ and [in rats](#),⁹⁶ [altered EEG](#) in humans,⁹⁷ [growth stimulation](#) in bean plants,⁹⁸ and [stimulation of ovulation](#) in chickens.⁹⁹

To protect against non-thermal effects, duration of exposure must be considered. 5G will expose everyone to many more transmissions simultaneously and continuously, day and night without cessation. New safety standards are needed and should be based on *cumulative exposure* and *not only on power levels* but also on frequency, bandwidth, modulation, waveform, pulse width and other properties that are biologically important. Antennas must be confined to specific, publicly identified locations. To protect humans, antennas must be located far from where people live and work, and excluded from the public rights-of-way where people walk. To protect wildlife, they must be excluded from wilderness sanctuaries and strictly minimized in remote areas of the Earth. To protect all life, commercial communications satellites must be limited in number and prohibited in low- and medium-Earth orbits. Phased arrays must be prohibited on Earth and in space.

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RF radiation has both acute and chronic effects

RF radiation has both immediate and long-term effects. Cancer and heart disease are examples of long-term effects. [Alteration of heart rhythm](#)¹⁰⁰ and [changes in brain function \(EEG\)](#)¹⁰¹ are examples of immediate effects. A syndrome that was called [radiowave sickness](#)¹⁰² in the former Soviet Union and is called [electromagnetic hypersensitivity](#) (EHS) around the world today¹⁰³ can be either acute or chronic. Professor Dr. Karl Hecht has published a [detailed history](#) of these syndromes, compiled from a review of more than 1,500 Russian scientific papers and the clinical histories of more than 1,000 of his own patients in Germany. Objective findings include sleep disorders, abnormal blood pressure and heart rate, digestive disorders, hair loss, tinnitus and skin rash. Subjective symptoms include dizziness, nausea, headache, memory loss, inability to concentrate, fatigue, flu-like symptoms and cardiac pain.¹⁰⁴

The [EUROPAEM EMF Guideline 2016](#) states that EHS develops when people are “continuously exposed in their daily life” to increasing levels of EMFs, and that “reduction and prevention of EMF exposure” is necessary to restore these patients to health.¹⁰⁵ EHS should no longer be considered a disease, but an injury by a toxic environment that affects an increasingly large portion of the population, estimated already at 100 million people worldwide,^{106,107} and that [may soon affect everyone](#)¹⁰⁸ if the worldwide rollout of 5G is permitted.

The [International Scientific Declaration on EHS and multiple chemical sensitivity \(MCS\)](#), Brussels, declared in 2015 that “[i]naction is a cost to society and is not an option any more ... [W]e unanimously acknowledge this serious hazard to public health ... [urgently requiring] that major primary prevention measures are adopted and prioritized, to face this worldwide pan-epidemic in perspective” (emphasis added).¹⁰⁹

World governments are failing in their duty of care to the populations they govern

In their haste to implement 5G and to encourage the unconstrained use of outer space, the European Union, United States and national governments worldwide are taking steps to ensure a “barrier-free” regulatory environment.¹¹⁰ They are [prohibiting local authorities from enforcing environmental laws](#),¹¹¹ and “in the interest of speedy and cost-effective deployment”, removing “unnecessary burdens ... such as local planning procedures [and] the variety of specific limits on electromagnetic field (EMF) emissions and of the methods required to aggregate them”.¹¹²

Governments are also [enacting laws](#) to make wireless facilities a permitted use in all public rights-of-way.¹¹³ To date, most wireless facilities have been located on private property at some distance from homes and businesses. In order for them to be spaced less than 100 metres apart as required by 5G, however, they will now be located on the sidewalk *directly in front of* homes and businesses and close above the heads of pedestrians, including mothers with babies.

Public notice requirements and public hearings are being eliminated. Even if there were a hearing and 100 scientific experts were to testify against 5G, [laws have been passed making it illegal](#) for local authorities to take their testimony into consideration. US law, for example, prohibits local governments from regulating wireless technology “on the basis of the environmental effects of radio frequency radiation”,¹¹⁴ and courts have reversed regulatory

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decisions about cell tower placement simply because most of the public testimony was about health.¹¹⁵ Insurers will not provide coverage against EMF risks,¹¹⁶ and there is zero clarity as to what entity will bear legal responsibility for damage to life, limb and property arising from exposure to 5G, whether ground- or space-based.¹¹⁷

In the absence of an agreed comprehensive legal regime governing activities in outer space, legal liability for those activities is non-existent, despite the prospect of whole continents, the atmosphere and the oceans being put at risk by them.

International agreements are being violated

Children and duty of care

The United Nations [Convention on the Rights of the Child](#): States shall “undertake to ensure the child such protection and care as is necessary for his or her well-being” (art. 3), “ensure ... the survival and development of the child” (art. 6) and “take appropriate measures to combat disease ... taking into consideration the dangers and risks of environmental pollution” (art. 24(c)).

[The Nuremberg Code \(1949\)](#) applies to all experiments on humans, thus including the deployment of 5G with new, higher RF radiation exposure that has not been pre-market tested for safety. “The voluntary consent of the human subject is absolutely essential” (art. 1). Exposure to 5G will be involuntary. “No experiment should be conducted, where there is an a priori reason to believe that death or disabling injury will occur” (art. 5). The findings of over 10,000 scientific studies and the voices of [hundreds of international organizations](#) representing hundreds of thousands of members who have suffered disabling injury and been displaced from their homes by already-existing wireless telecommunications facilities, are “a priori reasons to believe that death or disabling injury will occur”.

Duty to inform and EMFs

The [World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly \(2012\)](#) of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU) stated that “[t]here is a need to inform the public of the potential effects of exposure to electromagnetic fields (EMFs)” and invited Member States “to adopt suitable measures in order to ensure compliance with relevant international recommendations to protect health against the adverse effect of EMF”.

The [Mid-term review of the European Environment and Health Action Plan 2004-2010](#) (2008): “The European Parliament ... [n]otes that the limits on exposure to electromagnetic fields which have been set for the general public are obsolete, ... obviously take no account of developments in information and communication technologies, of the recommendations issued by the European Environment Agency or of the stricter emission standards adopted, for example, by Belgium, Italy and Austria, and do not address the issue of vulnerable groups, such as pregnant women, newborn babies and children.”

[Resolution 1815 \(Council of Europe, 2011\)](#): “Take all reasonable measures to reduce exposure to electromagnetic fields, especially to radio frequencies from mobile phones, and particularly the exposure to children and young people.”

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Environment

The [Declaration of the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment](#) (1972): “The discharge of toxic substances ... in such quantities or concentrations as to exceed the capacity of the environment to render them harmless, must be halted in order to ensure that serious or irreversible damage is not inflicted upon ecosystems” (principle 6).

The [World Charter for Nature](#) (1982): “Activities which are likely to cause irreversible damage to nature shall be avoided ... [W]here potential adverse effects are not fully understood, the activities should not proceed” (art. 11).

The [Rio Declaration on Environment and Development](#) (1992): “States have ... the responsibility to ensure that activities within their jurisdiction or control do not cause damage to the environment of other States or of areas beyond the limits of national jurisdiction” (principle 2).

The United Nations [World Summit on Sustainable Development](#) (2002): “There is an urgent need to ... create more effective national and regional policy responses to environmental threats to human health” (para. 54(k)).

The [African Convention on the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources](#) (2017): “The Parties shall ... take all appropriate measures to prevent, mitigate and eliminate to the maximum extent possible, detrimental effects on the environment, in particular from radioactive, toxic, and other hazardous substances and wastes” (art. 13).

Health and human rights

The [Universal Declaration of Human Rights](#): “Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of person” (art. 3).

The United Nations [Global Strategy for Women’s, Children’s and Adolescents’ Health \(2016-2030\)](#) has as objectives and targets to “transform”, by expanding enabling environments; to “survive”, by reducing maternal and newborn mortality; and to “thrive” by ensuring health and well-being and reducing pollution-related deaths and illnesses.

Space

The [Outer Space Treaty](#) (1967) requires that the use of outer space be conducted “so as to avoid [its] harmful contamination and also adverse changes in the environment of the Earth” (art. IX).

The [United Nations Guidelines for The Long-Term Sustainability of Outer Space Activities](#) (2018): “States and international intergovernmental organizations should address ... risks to people, property, public health and the environment associated with the launch, in-orbit operation and re-entry of space objects” (guideline 2.2(c)).

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World governments are playing dice with life on Earth

Albert Einstein famously asserted that “God does not play dice”.¹¹⁸ Yet by pursuing the broadcast on Earth and from space of 5G, an unprecedented technology of millimetre waves previously used as an energy weapon in [military operations and crowd control](#),¹¹⁹ world governments are recklessly playing dice with the future of life on Earth.

To refuse to accept and apply relevant and valid scientific knowledge is ethically unacceptable. Existing research shows that 5G—and especially space-based 5G—contravenes principles enshrined in a host of international agreements.

We call upon the UN, WHO, EU, Council of Europe and governments of all nations,

(a) *To take* immediate measures to halt the deployment of 5G on Earth and in space in order to protect all humankind, especially the unborn, infants, children, adolescents and pregnant women, as well as the environment;

(b) *To follow* the [United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child](#) and [Council of Europe Resolution 1815](#) by informing citizens, including teachers and physicians, about the health risks (to adults and children) from RF radiation, and *why they should* and *how they can* avoid wireless communication and base stations, particularly in or near day-care centres, schools, hospitals, homes and workplaces;

(c) *To favour and implement* wired telecommunications instead of wireless;

(d) *To prohibit* the wireless/telecommunications industry [through its lobbying organizations](#) from [persuading officials](#) to make decisions permitting further expansion of RF radiation, including ground- and space-based 5G;

(e) *To appoint* immediately—without industry influence—international groups of independent, truly impartial EMF and health scientists with no conflicts of interest,¹²⁰ for the purpose of establishing new international safety standards for RF radiation that are not based only on power levels, that consider cumulative exposure, and that protect against *all* health and environmental effects, not just thermal effects and not just effects on humans;

(f) *To appoint* immediately—without industry influence—international groups of scientists with expertise in EMFs, health, biology and atmospheric physics, for the purpose of developing a comprehensive regulatory framework that will ensure that the uses of outer space are safe for humans and the environment, taking into account RF radiation, rocket exhaust gases, black soot, and space debris and their impacts on [ozone](#),¹²¹ [global warming](#),¹²² the atmosphere and the preservation of life on Earth. Not only ground-based but also space-based technology must be sustainable¹²³ for adults and children, animals and plants.

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Please respond to the Appeal Administrator listed below

detailing the measures you intend to take to protect the global population against RF radiation exposure, especially 5G radiation.

This appeal and your response will be publicly available on www.5gSpaceAppeal.org.

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Verstuurd vanaf mijn iPhone

ONDERWERP VOOR BESPREKING IN DE GEMEENTERAAD

Aan de Agendacommissie. Wij verzoeken u voor de Raadsvergadering op [datum] het onderstaande onderwerp op de agenda te plaatsen:

Onderwerp: De uitrol van 5G en de borging van de gezondheid van burgers in gemeente X.

Wat is het kernvraagstuk?

De ontwikkelingen op het gebied van de draadloze technologie gaan erg snel. Onze wereld wordt steeds digitaler en er wordt steeds meer gebruik gemaakt van draadloze verbindingen. Met de komst van het Internet of Things (IoT) communiceren nu ook steeds meer apparaten draadloos met elkaar. Deze toename van draadloze toepassingen heeft tot gevolg dat er ook steeds meer zendantennes bij komen, waardoor ook de hoeveelheid elektromagnetische straling steeds meer en steeds sneller toeneemt. Dit heeft grote gevolgen voor de gezondheid van mensen, dieren en de natuur.

Na 2G (GSM), 3G (UMTS) en 4G (LTE) komt nu de 5^e generatie (5G) van draadloze zendtechnieken er aan. De Rijksoverheid wil eind 2019 de 5G-frequenties gaan veilen en in 2020 de uitrol van 5G realiseren in Nederland. Dit heeft tot gevolg dat alle gemeenten te maken gaan krijgen met het aanleggen van de infrastructuur hiervoor (ondergrondse kabels en glasvezel) en de plaatsing van heel veel extra zendantennes op gemeenteground.

De 5G-technologie maakt gebruik van millimetergolven die een kort bereik hebben. Daarom moeten er heel veel kleine zendantennes (small cells) bijgeplaatst gaan worden om een volledige dekking te bereiken. Er wordt gesproken over de plaatsing van zendantennes om de tien tot twaalf huizen. Deze zullen dan in de directe leefomgeving van burgers geplaatst gaan worden op lantaarnpalen, verkeerslichten, bushokjes, reclame-zuilen, etc. De Rijksoverheid heeft op 3 juli 2018 het [Actieplan Digitale Connectiviteit](#) gepubliceerd. Hierin valt o.a. te lezen dat er een dekkingsplicht van 98% van de oppervlakte van elke gemeente van Nederland komt met een minimale datasnelheid van tenminste 100 Megabit per seconde.

Er zijn echter steeds meer burgers die nu al (ernstige) gezondheidsklachten ervaren door elektromagnetische straling van o.a. zendmasten, smartphones en wifi. De 5G-techniek maakt gebruik van andere (hogere) frequenties dan de huidige zendantennes. Er is nog maar zeer weinig onderzoek gedaan naar de specifieke effecten hiervan op onze gezondheid. Wel is al bekend dat deze hogere frequenties volledig in de huid worden geabsorbeerd. Aangezien er zenuwuiteinden, bloedvaten en hormonen in onze huid zitten, kan dit leiden tot allerlei biologische verstoringen waardoor o.a. dna-schade kan ontstaan.

Momenteel kunnen veel elektrogevoelige mensen, met de nodige aanpassingen, nog enigszins woon- en leefplekken zoeken waar het relatief stralingsarm is. Maar als er straks op elk hoek van de straat zendantennes staan, dan valt er niet meer aan te ontkomen. Dit creëert dan ook grote problemen voor burgers die hier mee te maken hebben. Daarnaast is er ook een grote groep elektrohypersensitieve mensen die, mede door financiële beperkingen, nu al in een uitzichtloze situatie zijn beland.

Volgens schattingen ervaart 3% van de bevolking gezondheidshinder door straling. Dit zou in gemeente X betekenen dat het om ongeveer X mensen gaat. De meeste van hen zijn zich echter nog niet bewust dat hun gezondheidsklachten hierdoor (mede) veroorzaakt worden. Aangezien de gemeente verantwoordelijk is voor de gezondheid van haar burgers, betreft dit ook een gemeente-aangelegenheid.

Met de nieuwe Omgevingswet kunnen gemeenten zelf een eigen omgevingsvisie vaststellen. Het is dan ook belangrijk dat ook gemeente X zich gaat verdiepen in de materie en gaat bepalen hoe zij op een veilige en verantwoorde wijze invulling gaat geven aan de aangekondigde uitrol van 5G.

Waarom moet het besproken worden?

- omdat 5G naar verwachting in 2020 zal worden uitgerold in alle gemeenten, wat vraagt om investeringen en beleidskeuzes van elke gemeente;
- omdat 5G grote gevolgen heeft op de directe leef- en woonomgeving van alle burgers;
- omdat steeds meer burgers daadwerkelijk fysieke gezondheidsklachten ervaren van straling en de gemeente hier verantwoordelijk voor is;
- omdat ook stralingsgevoelige burgers zich willen kunnen (blijven) begeven in de publieke ruimten (stadhuis, bibliotheek, ziekenhuis, etc.);
- omdat de gezondheid van met name kwetsbare burgers, zoals (ongeboren) baby's, jonge kinderen, zieke mensen en ouderen, beschermd moet worden;
- omdat alle burgers in de gemeente X recht hebben op eerlijke informatie over de effecten van straling op de gezondheid en wat zij concreet kunnen doen om de hoeveelheid straling te beperken;
- omdat dit onderdeel zou moeten zijn van de Omgevingsvisie van gemeenten;
- omdat ook de GGD het belang van het realiseren van stralingsarme zones in Nederland erkent (Dr. Fred Woudenberg);
- omdat smartphones en sociale media inmiddels bij steeds meer mensen ook (zeer) verslavende effecten heeft (geestelijke gezondheid);
- omdat Stichting 113 straling meeneemt als mogelijke oorzaak in onderzoeken naar zelfdoding (als vervolg op depressie);
- omdat de huidige [blootstellingsnormen](#) dateren uit 1998 en alleen zijn gebaseerd op de opwarmingseffecten en niet op de biologische effecten, daarnaast is er geen rekening gehouden met de cumulatieve (stapelende) effecten;
- omdat de WHO heeft geconstateerd dat elektromagnetische straling [mogelijk kankerverwekkend](#) is (2011);
- omdat de Raad van Europa heeft geadviseerd om het [voorzorgsprincipe toe te passen](#) (2011);
- omdat een [groep van 186 wetenschappers en artsen uit 36 landen de EU dringend hebben gewaarschuwd voor de gevaren van 5G](#) (sept. 2017). Zij verzoeken de EU om te stoppen met de uitbreiding van 5G; om het voorzorgsprincipe toe te passen ([Resolutie 1815](#)); om burgers te informeren over de gezondheidsrisico's van straling en hoe zij draadloze communicatie kunnen beperken; om een *onafhankelijke* werkgroep in te stellen om (zonder inmenging van de telecomindustrie) de gezondheidsrisico's te her-evalueren en te beslissen over nieuwe blootstellingsnormen; om de lobby van de telecom industrie te weren en om *bedrade* digitale netwerken te implementeren (i.p.v. draadloze netwerken);
- omdat het buitenland al vele stappen aan het zetten is om burgers wél actief te informeren en beschermen tegen draadloze straling; de Nederlandse overheid neemt die verantwoordelijkheid nog niet.

Waarom moet het nu besproken worden?
Omdat er lokale beleidskeuzes gemaakt moeten gaan worden vanwege de aangekondigde komst van 5G. Daarnaast zal dit onderwerp moeten worden opgenomen in de Omgevingsvisie. E.e.a. vraagt de nodige voorbereidingstijd en de ontwikkelingen gaan erg snel.

Om welke politieke keuzes vraagt het kernvraagstuk?
De vraag is of de lokale politiek de economische belangen belangrijker vindt óf de belangen voor de gezondheid van de inwoners van gemeente X. Er kan bijvoorbeeld besloten worden om geen zendantennes te plaatsen in de buurt van kinderdagverblijven, scholen, ziekenhuizen, verzorgingshuizen, etc. (Een ziekenhuis in Zutphen heeft bijv. al een stralingsarme onderzoeksruimte.) En er kan actief voor gekozen worden om in de publieke ruimten te zorgen voor stralingsarme plekken, zodat mensen niet worden buitengesloten.

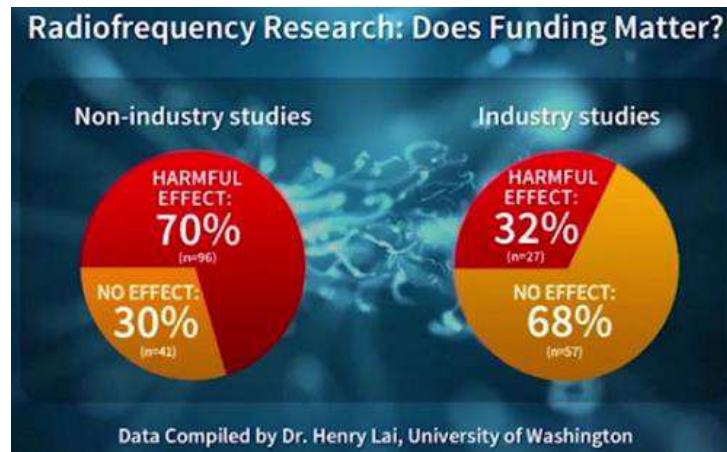
Welke informatie is nodig om tot beeldvorming, oordeelsvorming en besluitvorming te komen?
Verdieping in de materie. Zie daarbij ook onderstaande toelichting en de informatie op de verzamelwebsite https://stralingsbewust.info en op de website van de Stichting ElektroHyperSensitiviteit: https://stichtingehs.nl/ . Deze belangenvereniging is ook deelnemer in het Kennisplatform ElektroMagnetische Velden (de GGD verwijst ook naar hen).

Welke eisen kun je aan het proces stellen?
- dat er niet alleen naar de standaard overheids-standpunten wordt gekeken, maar dat er ook met een open houding en kritische blik verder wordt gekeken naar andere visies en feiten; - dat de gemeente zélf eigen verantwoordelijkheid neemt en deze kwestie niet afschuift op de landelijke overheid.

Welke financiële aspecten spelen een rol?
- kosten voor de uitrol van 5G; de bekabelde infrastructuur (ondergrondse kabels/glasvezel) en de plaatsing van de zendantennes in lantaarnpalen, verkeerslichten, bushokjes, etc.; - kosten vanwege ziekte en arbeidsongeschiktheid van burgers die vanwege overmatige straling niet meer kunnen functioneren (uitkeringen, inzet GGD); - kosten om huizen van inwoners af te schermen met stralingswerende materialen - zoals verf, gordijnen, raamfolie, etc.- indien zij gezondheidsklachten ervaren van zendantennes; - kosten voor afschermingsmaatregelen in de auto om de mobiliteit voor stralingsgevoeligen te behouden; - budgetten beschikbaar maken vanuit de WMO en/of het Ontschottingsfonds om deze kosten te kunnen vergoeden aan inwoners van X.

Ter nadere bestudering:

- De **overheid** kiest de kant van de commercie en niet die van de volksgezondheid.
Zie bijvoorbeeld [dit artikel](#) over het Actieplan Digitale Connectiviteit.
- De rol van de **industrie/multinationals**.
Dezelfde processen spelen zich af in vele grote industrieën, waarbij sprake is van belangenverstrengeling en van grote machtige partijen die de belangen van aandeelhouders voorop stellen. Zie bijvoorbeeld [dit artikel](#) over de werkwijze van Monsanto. Een andere industrie, dezelfde tactieken.
- De **onafhankelijkheid van de wetenschap**.
De University of Washington heeft voor 326 wetenschappelijke onderzoeken naar de biologische effecten van straling, bekeken of de uitkomsten beïnvloed worden door degene die het onderzoek betaald. Hieruit blijkt dat 70% van de *onafhankelijke onderzoeken* schadelijke effecten aantoonde. Een meerderheid. Terwijl dat van onderzoek *gefinancierd door de telecomindustrie* slechts 32% is, een minderheid. 'Wie betaalt, bepaalt'. Zie [deze link](#) (vanaf 10:30 min.).



- **Het buitenland neemt wel voorzorgsmaatregelen.**
In het buitenland worden wel al vele voorzorgsmaatregelen genomen. Zo geldt er in Frankrijk vanaf september 2018 bijv. een totaal verbod op het gebruik van mobiele telefoons op lagere en middelbare scholen. En Cyprus geeft haar inwoners al sinds 2015 actieve voorlichting over de gezondheidseffecten van straling. Zie bijvoorbeeld [deze overheids-video](#) van 4 minuten.

Zie ook deze [compilatie van maatregelen, adviezen en uitspraken van overheden, internationale organisaties en rechtbanken over toepassing van elektromagnetische straling](#), samengesteld door dr. L. Vriens.

Meer informatie is te vinden op de website www.StralingsBewust.info, op de webpagina met [Adviezen aan gemeenten](#) en op de website van de [Stichting ElektroHyperSensitiviteit](#).