

A warm welcome  
on concrete initiatives for a  
low-radiation living environment!



We are pleased that you show interest in our organizations. With your consent we will inform you in the future about various activities and actions in the context of 5G. The purpose of this letter is first of all to inform you about the instrument of the **European Citizens' Initiative (ECI)**, the only institutionalized instrument of citizen participation in the political structure of the European Union.

The European Union is the driving force for the EU member states, for the European and national regulatory framework, including in the field of wireless communications and, above all, in the area of health protection.

With an institutionalized ECI, citizens have the opportunity to participate directly in European decision-making processes and to contribute to European policy-making. An ECI is formally applied for at the EU Commission. The EU Commission has to deal with claims of a recognized ECI in further proceedings if the ECI submits 1 million support signatures in Europe within one year, which are collected online or in paper form. In addition, a public hearing in the EU Parliament is planned once this quorum has been met. Further information on the ECI can be found on the official website of the European Commission: <https://europa.eu/citizens-initiative/>

Hundreds of national and international petitions from citizens, scientists and physicians clearly show that the topic of 5G moves citizens. But it obviously takes much more to get politicians to act. This is why we want to change the European legal framework together and with several coordinated and concerted lines of action. This will give us a chance to minimize the pollution of the environment with mobile phone radiation and the associated risks and dangers as best we can. We support technological innovation, but not at any price.

## **Health as the highest good must always come first.**

The aim is to establish digital communication structures that do not harm people, flora and fauna. Our main demands to the EU Commission and EU member states are based on this.

### **Further demands of the European Citizens' Initiative:**

1. Issuing an EU Commission recommendation for an immediate "moratorium on the deployment and take-up of 5G in all EU Member States" until potential risks to human health and the environment are fully explored.
2. Application of the precautionary principle when a sufficient level of scientific knowledge identifies potential risks of mobile telephony due to emissions from mobile radio base stations, devices and 5G satellites.
3. Application of the minimization principle for recognizable harmful effects of mobile radio.
4. Setting new guide or limit values for maximum exposure of all radio wave systems, i.e. all wireless communications (including non-ionizing mobile phone radiation and its athermal effects). This review should be carried out by independent experts and environmental protection associations (free from potential conflicts of interest).
5. A technology assessment and a strategic environmental assessment for all areas affected by 5G: human health (physiological and psychological effects), effects on flora and fauna, impact on the natural electrical household of the earth's atmosphere and the biosphere by microwaves, furthermore e.g. on electricity consumption, informational self-determination of citizens (surveillance, data protection) up to the effects on democratic decision-making processes.
6. Minority protection for people suffering from electrosensitivity or electrohypersensitivity (EHS):

- 6.1 Recognition of EHS as a disease with reference to the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) of the World Health Organization (WHO), which now contains codes for damage to health caused by non-ionizing radiation (ICD-10-CM, Code W90.0 - <https://icd.codes/icd10cm/W90>).
- 6.2 A general ban on radiating technical electromagnetic fields into homes; the creation of health-compatible workplaces for the disabled; the creation of so-called "white zones" in public spaces, in sensitive locations (hospitals and nursing homes, kindergartens, schools, retirement homes) and in public transport.
7. Expansion of wired digital telecommunications.
8. Spatial planning and planning law competences for municipalities to create unpolluted residential areas that are free of electromagnetic radiation exposure and enable the minimization of exposure from existing mobile phone base stations.
9. Duty of declaration for mobile radio devices in connection with a ban on the exposure of apartments to electromagnetic fields without prior permission of the respective owners of the apartments concerned.
10. Research into the risks of mobile technologies by independent research bodies that carry out their tasks free from the influence of potential conflicts of interest.
11. Sufficient financial resources must be made available for research into the risks and dangers of mobile technologies.
12. Educating the public: meeting the public interest in objective and complete information on the risks and dangers of mobile technologies (*audiatur et altera pars*).

As a next step, the coordination circle establishes the initiative and campaign capability. A network-based online platform specially developed for our purposes can serve as an instrument. Data security and data sovereignty are given the highest priority with a unique security concept.

In parallel to the institutionalized citizen participation forms "Bundestag petition" (German national parliament) and ECI, we also see a real chance to counter the harmful effects of mobile radio with **effective legal measures. Lawyers are invited to join us on these paths**, because now, with the socio-technical system 5G in all its facets, a legal precedent is likely to emerge.

The 5G expansion, worth billions, has begun. We cannot wait any longer for 5G technologies to be rolled out even further, causing unacceptable and harmful effects!

We set ourselves the task of sensitizing and educating as many citizens as possible about the risks and dangers of mobile communications throughout Europe. On the one hand, this concerns the mobile telephony we already have (GSM, UMTS, LTE, TETRA, Wi-Fi etc.) and, on the other hand, the breadth and depth effects of 5G technologies. We regard these as socio-technical systems (smart cities) and as a gateway for totalitarian mechanisms in the political decision-making process.

We are dependent on your support in order to generate attention at the highest political levels and to raise awareness in the public among emitters of electrosmog. A start-up financing through donations could make the start of the ECI much easier, until projects to be carried out can be supported by smaller monthly amounts from many sponsors.

The workload of the upcoming tasks can only be handled by an office staffed by several people. Legal steps and the establishment of campaign capability at local, national and European level should be financed. This will entail costs for expert opinions, procedures, personnel, office equipment and administration, as well as costs for the development, maintenance and support of the online platform and the signature collection tool. In this way, a wide variety of local and supra-regional projects and actions can be financed and thus realized by promoters. We will of course present the processes transparently.

## Our bank details:

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Subsidies with smaller, monthly amounts also help.

## Participation:

If you wish to participate actively in the coordination circle of the European Citizens' Initiative, we ask for personal information, in particular where you have been active, are still active, what knowledge and skills you can bring to the table and what your expectations and wishes are.

On behalf of the coordination team of the European Citizens' Initiative "Attention 5G",

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