

Event starting from the CIRC (International Center for Research against Cancer 1), in Lyon

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STOP 5G and all digital

Let's get mobilized, on saturday, september the 19th, 2020

Several mobilizations are underway against the implementation of "smart meters" and the 5G mobile network. They induce the exponential circulation of connected objects, self-driving cars, etc., all of which is based, in our neighborhoods and cities, upon the concepts of "safe" or "smart cities".

This societal choice of shifting to all-digital, imposed by our governments under the pressure of industries, increases the destruction of living things and our environment.

All of these technologies will increase the electromagnetic fog (electro-smog), which causes health problems. However, current standards do not protect against the risks involved. Long-term effects, including biological ones, have not been scientifically measured.

These irreversible transformations will impact future generations, as well as plants and animals. Is this really the future we want?

Industries, supported by the public authorities, justify these technologies by energy management. Still, precisely the opposite will happen: energy consumption will explode with the proliferation of data centers, connected objects, laptops and cell towers (satellites and ground-based antennas), self-driving cars. Besides, all of them also require the use of rare materials extracted in developing countries in violation of human rights and under conditions of extreme pollution. Moreover, they will turn products obsolete.

The use of these technologies will intensify mass and individual control by States and large companies. Our actions will be tracked in our homes by connected captors and objects; in public

spaces, by smart city technologies; even travelling by car, bicycle and connected scooter... Their deployment will go hand in hand with large-scale piracy risks.

Industries and states present the generalization of algorithms and robotic systems as a promise of economic growth and administrative simplification, which will, in reality, massively suppress jobs and transform humans into slaves of automated procedures.

The wireless network society will create a world where we will be entirely dependent and under the control of technology for so-called essential services solely focused on the needs of industries.

Our action aims to defend a humane and solidary society which can exercise its legitimate rights independently of lobbies and financial logics.

We are living through a significant societal turning point which calls for a large-scale mobilization to question the implementation of useless and dangerous technologies.

We want to weigh on these social issues we are excluded from, while they concern us.

Consequently, we **demand** that:

- Independent expert studies already existing about electronic frequencies 3 be published and taken into account

- **Debates** be organized and open to the **entire population**; also, **self-constituted bodies** have a right of **scrutiny and control**

- The **precautionary principle** be recognized and applied whenever a doubt arises

And we are **claiming** that, **as of now**:

- The **deployment of "smart meters"** for electricity, gas, and water **be stopped**

- The **deployment of 5G**, at the European level at least, **be stopped**, implying the stoppage of the experimentation carried out by the wireless/telecommunications industry without the people's knowledge

- **Electromagnetic fields** are requalified into a **proven danger** with the total questioning of standards 4 and current uses

- The "all connected society" and "smart city concepts" are questioned

- **Energy sobriety** be chosen over the smoky concepts of "green growth" and "sustainable development" based on all-electric, all-digital.

Let us choose the society in which we want to live!

1 CIRC: International Center for Research against Cancer, is an annex of the World Health Organization (WHO). It is where electromagnetic fields were classified in 2011 as potentially carcinogenic (classification B2):

https://www.iarc.fr/wp-content/uploads/2018/07/pr208_F.pdf

2 countries concerned by the protest actions against 5G on 25/01/2020: <u>https://stop5ginternational.org/5g-protest-day/</u>

3 in particular studies listed here: <u>https://www.americansforresponsibletech.org/scientific-studies</u>, Mobi-kids study pertaining to children and teenagers <u>https://www.frontiersin.org/articles/10.3389/fpubh.2014.00124/full...</u>

4 the Council of Europe resolution 1815 (in 2011) recommends a prevention threshold for the level of long-term indoor electromagnetic field exposure, per the precautionary principle, not exceeding 0.6 volts per meter, and reduce it in the medium term to 0.2 volts per meter <u>http://assembly.coe.int/nw/xml/XRef/Xref-XML2HTML-FR.asp?</u> <u>fileid=17994</u>

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