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CAMPAIGN SUMMARY

- Co-founder and Charity Director for the Radiation Research Trust (RRT) 2003 to date: www.radiationresearch.org
- Co-founder and Board member for the International EMF Alliance 2009 to date: <http://www.iemfa.org>
- Member of the European Commission Stakeholder Dialogue Group on EMF (helped the EU Commission to form group) 2011 – to date: http://ec.europa.eu/health/electromagnetic_fields/eu_actions/stakeholder_dialogue_group/index_en.htm
- Co-Founder and Chair of SCRAM (Seriously Concerned Residents against Masts) 2002 – 2005

Worked with cross party members of the UK and European parliaments offering help to provide advice and information for parliamentary questions and reports, also presented written and verbal evidence at local and national Government level in the UK, European Parliament and EU Commission. Involved with numerous International presentations & government led debates. Provided support and information for the Sefton and Birmingham and Liverpool fire-fighters and Liverpool deaf school. Invited to give evidence on phone masts to Sefton Scrutiny and Review Committee at the Health and Social Care Inquiry and also presented at the Birmingham Scrutiny Committee on the policy on the siting of phone masts on council land and premises. Attended meetings with European Director Generals in Luxembourg and Directors at WHO in Geneva. Organised many events and raised funds for conferences and meetings at the House of Commons, the Royal Society, London, and the Institute of Mechanical Engineers and presented at and attended many conferences and public meetings on a national and International level. Worked closely with the local, national and International media

including newspapers, radio and TV for local and national news reports such as Sutton Coldfield News and Sutton Coldfield Observer, Birmingham Mail and Birmingham Post, Champion newspaper, Formby Times, Liverpool Echo, Telegraph, Guardian, Daily Mail, magazines and appearing on Sky news, GMTV, This Morning, Irish TV, Russian TV, local TV and radio. Successfully completed a political reality ITV show called "Vote for Me." Worked with individual members of the public, including celebrities Jasper Carrott and Koo Stark and supported local, national and international action groups.

VIDEOS

- **Resonance – Beings of Frequency**
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AiCLUSMOa1U>
- **Eileen O'Connor and the RRT campaign against mobile phone masts**
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TSrFdyJyNVM>
- **Video presentation at the Commonwealth Club, San Francisco, November, 2010. Panel I - Eileen O'Connor, Director, Radiation Research Trust (U.K.)**
<https://vimeo.com/17271105>
- **Russian News Report** appeared on Russian TV with an audience of approximately 100 million people in countries of former Soviet Union. Link to Russian NTV news item on mobile phones: <http://news.ntv.ru/144177> - shown twice on 'primetime'.

CAMPAIGN HISTORY

List of presentations: <http://www.radiationresearch.org/aboutus/eileen-o-connor-director-for-rrt-presentations-and-talks>

June, 2015 Non-Ionising Radiation and Health Concerns Seminar - London

Organised private audience with Professor Oleg A. Grigoriev, Head of the Scientific Department of Non-Ionizing Radiation Federal Medical Biophysical Centre of Federal Medical Biological Agency of Russia / Chairman Russian National Committee on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection. Professor Grigoriev presented on the subject of "Electromagnetic pollution and reaction of the central nervous system. Dr Victoria Alekseeva presented on "Stages in the history of studying biological effect of electromagnetic fields in Russia for one hundred years" and Dr. Erica Mallery-Blythe, UK Emergency Medicine Doctor presented an "Introduction to non-ionising radiation, health concerns and misconceptions."

Picture taken at Friends House, London featuring Eileen O'Connor, Professor Oleg Grigoriev, Dr Erica Mallery-Blythe, Dr Isaac Jamieson, Dr Victoria Alekseeva, Mike Bell and Brian Stein



May, 2015 Personal story featured in number one bestselling book "IF I CAN DO IT YOU CAN TOO!" By author Anthony Stagg: <http://antonystagg.com/if-i-can-do-it-you-can-too-book/>

May, 2015 Attended the 5th Congress of the Paris Appeal: Idiopathic Environmental Intolerance: Brussels, Belgian Royal Academy of Medicine. <http://appel-de-paris.com/?lang=en>

March, 2015 Lobbied MPs and Ministers
http://www.radiationresearch.org/images/rrt_articles/Radiation-Research-Trust-alert-Political-leaders-to-the-dangers-of-wireless-technology.pdf

February, 2015 Attended private two hour meeting in Luxembourg with John F Ryan, Acting Director for the EU Commission

February, 2015 Led the campaign providing evidence to call for UK EESC members to vote for the original EESC opinion document calling for support for people suffering with electrosensitivity while encouraging members to reject the counter-opinion led by EESC member Richard Adams, resulting in reporting conflicts of interest and lack of transparency by the EESC to the EU Ombudsman and serving a Letter of Notice holding EESC member Richard Adams personally accountable for betraying public trust by ignoring evidence on the hazards of RF/EMF. The letter of notice is supported by 100's of NGO's:

http://www.radiationresearch.org/images/rrt_articles/EM-Radiation-Research-Trust-Letter-of-Notice-Served-on-Mr-Richard-Adams.pdf

March 2014 EU Commission presentation Athens, download here:
http://ec.europa.eu/health/scientific_committees/events/ev_20140328_presentations_en.htm

2013 October Visit San Diego, USA to meet with Susan Foster, Radiation Research Trust Advisor/medical writer/author of the Resolution 15, passed by the International Association of Firefighters in August 2004, calling for a moratorium on the placement of

phone masts on fire stations due to neurological deficits Susan and Dr. Gunnar Heuser found in their 2004 study of firefighters in California exposed to cell towers on their stations.



June 2013 WHO stakeholders meeting in Paris:

http://www.radiationresearch.org/images/rrt_articles/WHO-International-Stakeholder-Seminar-on-RF-Policies.pdf

2012 Visited Professors Yury and Oleg Grigoriev, Chairman for the Russian Radiation Federation, Moscow:

http://www.radiationresearch.org/images/rrt_articles/yury%20grigoriev%20calls%20for%20order%20and%20the%20world%20needs%20to%20listen.pdf

Pictures of Eileen with Russian Professor Yury Grigoriev and Eileen in Red Square with Norwegian rocket scientist Sissel Halmoy



2012 Presented Rt Hon Iain Duncan Smith with smart meter report:

<http://www.radiationresearch.org/images/documents/the.pdf>

2011 December Hand delivered a copy of the Smart Meter, Smarter Practices Report to Number 10 Downing Street, London. Picture from left features Mike Bell, Joe Benton

MP, Eileen O'Connor, Bill Esterson MP and assistant, Dr Erica Mallery-Blythe and Brian Stein



2011 EU Commission Dialogue Group (helped the EU Commission to form this group) – to date

http://ec.europa.eu/health/electromagnetic_fields/eu_actions/stakeholder_dialogue_group/index_en.htm

2010 November – Presented at Commonwealth Club of California - November 18, 2010 the Health Effects of Electromagnetic Fields” Video footage from the Commonwealth Club EMF Program, Nov 18, 2010, "The Health Effects of Electromagnetic Fields" posted on ElectromagneticHealth.org: <http://vimeo.com/17271105>

2010 May – Presented written evidence to the President Barrack Obama’s Cancer Panel as part of the Panel’s data/information gathering process.

The panel reported that “the true burden of environmentally induced cancers has been grossly underestimated” and strongly urged action to reduce people’s widespread exposure to carcinogens. From the report: “Another sensitive issue raised in the report was the risk of brain cancer from cell phones. Scientists are divided on whether there is a link. Until more research is conducted, the panel recommended that people reduce their usage by making fewer and shorter calls, using hands-free devices so that the phone is not against the head and refraining from keeping a phone on a belt or in a pocket. Even if the cell phones raise the risk of cancer slightly, so many people are exposed that “it could be a large public health burden,” Schettler said.”

News report here:

<http://www.birminghammail.net/news/top-stories/2009/01/29/phone-masts-health-fears-us-president-asks-for-views-of-midland-woman-97319-22804790>

2010 January – Institution of Mechanical Engineers, London

Organised a seminar on electrosensitivity and the current EMF Standards.

Followed by a meeting at Portcullis House with MPs, Sir William Stewart, Professor Olle Johansson and Professor Oleg Grigoriev.

Sir William Stewart was the former Chief Scientific Adviser to the UK Government and Chairman of the Health Protection Agency. Professor Olle Johansson is assoc. Prof at the

Experimental Dermatology Unit Department of Neuroscience, Karolinska Institute and Professor the Royal Institute of Technology Sweden. Professor Oleg Grigoriev is the Director, Centre for Electromagnetic Safety, Head of Laboratory "Radiobiology and Hygiene for Non-Ionizing Radiation" Federal Medical Biophysical Centre of Federal Medical-Biological Agency of Russia and Vice-Chairman, Russian National Committee on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection.

2009 November - Norwegian Conference

Worked with the Norwegian team to organise an International conference in Stavanger, Norway, November 17th 2009. Scientists from around the world attended to exchange views with an aim to develop new biologically-based guidelines for human exposure. Chaired one of the sessions and spoke at the event:

http://www.radiationresearch.org/pdfs/20091004_emf_viking_stavanger_conf.pdf

2009 August Provided information for questions for Andrew Mitchell MP, Shadow Secretary of State for International Development and Shadow Cabinet Member with responsibility for Birmingham. Details available at:

<http://www.radiationresearch.org/political.asp>

2009 April provided information for a EU Parliament declaration launched by Liz Lynne MEP and submitted several amendments for the European Parliament Ries report. 559 MEPs voted in favour against 22 MEPs. Download report:

<http://www.europarl.europa.eu/sides/getDoc.do?pubRef=-//EP//TEXT+TA+P6-TA-2009-0216+0+DOC+XML+V0//EN>

2009 April Supported Dr Caroline Lucas, Green Party MEP to produce an alternative resolution to remove a late controversial amendment from the Ries Report.

2009 February – European Commission Workshop on EMF and Health

The European Commission held a conference attempting to bring opposing views together to discuss how best to evaluate scientific evidence and present the assessments to the general public via national policies.

Eileen O'Connor's Presentation – Why people are worried about EMF: a UK perspective:

http://ec.europa.eu/health/risk_assessment/events/ev_20090211_en.htm

2008 September - RRT London Conference

Radiation Research Trust 2008 conference. The conference was a major achievement as it was the first time that both sides of the scientific debate had come together to share the same platform. The conference took 12 months to organize with the help of Dr Mike Repacholi, ex-leader for the WHO EMF project. Also organised dinner at Westminster for all speakers following a kind invitation from Dr Ian Gibson MP. The conference took place on the 8th & 9th September, 2008 entitled: 'Electromagnetic fields and health - a global issue' and was hosted at the Royal Society, London.

Speakers from ICNIRP, WHO, the Russian National Committee on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection and national bodies such as the UK Health Protection Agency and the MTHR. They were joined by scientists, politicians, lawyers and concerned citizens and the media, each offering differing viewpoints in order to encourage discussion around risk assessment.

Conference details: <http://archive.radiationresearch.org/conference/index.asp>

Conference speech:

http://archive.radiationresearch.org/conference/downloads/010900_oconnor.pdf

November, 2007

Emergency conference on Human Health in an Electro-Technological World. Royal Society, London

Presented personal story and shared a platform with many scientists from around the world. The presentation title "Eileen O'Connor My Story" explains involvement with the campaign since developing breast cancer at the age of 38 and discovered the cancer cluster around a mobile phone mast. Download details:

http://www.radiationresearch.org/pdfs/eileen_my_story.pdf

2007 February RRT – House of Commons debate Organised and chaired an event in the Attlee Room, Portcullis House, London. Speakers included Dr Ian Gibson, Labour MP and Dr George Carlo speaking at a packed debate attended by industry, public, MPs, health officials and the media.

Introduced Dr George Carlo to the Irish Doctors conference, Dublin.

2006 UK Health Protection Agency EMF Discussion Group

Invited to become a member of the HPA EMF Discussion Group (EMF DG). Presented at the HPA EMF DG. List of members here:

http://www.powerwatch.org.uk/news/20060427_hpa_emfdg.asp

Copy of paper Base Stations and Health concerns prepared for the Health Protection Agency, EMF Discussion Group:

http://www.radiationresearch.org/pdfs/20061101_base_stations_health_concerns.pdf

Base Stations and Health Concerns - PowerPoint presentation

http://www.radiationresearch.org/pdfs/20061016_hpa_eileen.pdf

Attended private meeting with Irish campaign group and the leader of EMF Project at the World Health Organization in Geneva.

2006 September attended a seminar in Brussels and a conference in Benevento Italy.

http://www.icems.eu/benevento_resolution.htm

2005 January

"Vote for Me" Political Reality TV Show

Political reality TV show called "Vote for Me" on ITV every night for one week in 2005, billed as a political X factor show with contestants voted off by the public each night.

The idea behind the show was to analyse the suitability of potential candidates for a political career and to put forward the winner to stand in their local constituency. The programme was on National TV every night during 10-14th January 05 and by the end of the week the public voted in the overall winner. Campaigned on a single issue “phone masts” receiving 1000’s of public votes and was the runner up after successfully dealing with political challenges: [http://www.ukgameshows.com/ukgs/Vote for Me](http://www.ukgameshows.com/ukgs/Vote_for_Me) & <http://www.guardian.co.uk/media/2005/jan/16/broadcasting.raceintheuk>

2005 July - Westminster

Westminster packed debate on phone masts. Campaigners, Industry and government attended. Provided evidence on the panel along with presentations from Dr Michael Clark representing the UK Health Protection Agency and Dr Gerd Oberfeld, Public Health Department of the Salzburg.

2005 - July

Mobile Phones and Health - The Wishaw Papers

Review of research by HPA after lobbying Mike O’Brien MP, Minister for the Department of Trade and Industry. The “Wishaw” papers relate to concerns raised by Eileen O’Connor about health effects of exposure to radiofrequency (RF) radiation arising from the use of mobile phones. Principally concerned about exposures to radiofrequencies (RF) from base stations and that this might result in an increased incidence of cancer in those living nearby. Download details here:

http://www.radiationresearch.org/pdfs/20100308_wishaw_papers.pdf

2004 January – Westminster debate

Andrew Mitchell MP debate on phone masts:

<http://www.publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm200304/cmhansrd/vo040128/halltext/40128h03.htm>



2002 Co-founder and Chair of local campaign group Seriously Concerned Residents Against Masts (SCRAM):

Organised an event in Sutton Coldfield, inviting scientists from both sides of the debate in the UK to speak at a packed public meeting chaired by Andrew Mitchell MP.

Spoken at many public meetings in London, Liverpool, Birmingham, Sheffield and Ireland.

Scram received an award from the Birmingham Community Empowerment Network and also received a couple of grants from the council.

Photograph featuring SCRAM -Seriously Concerned Residents against Masts action group.

