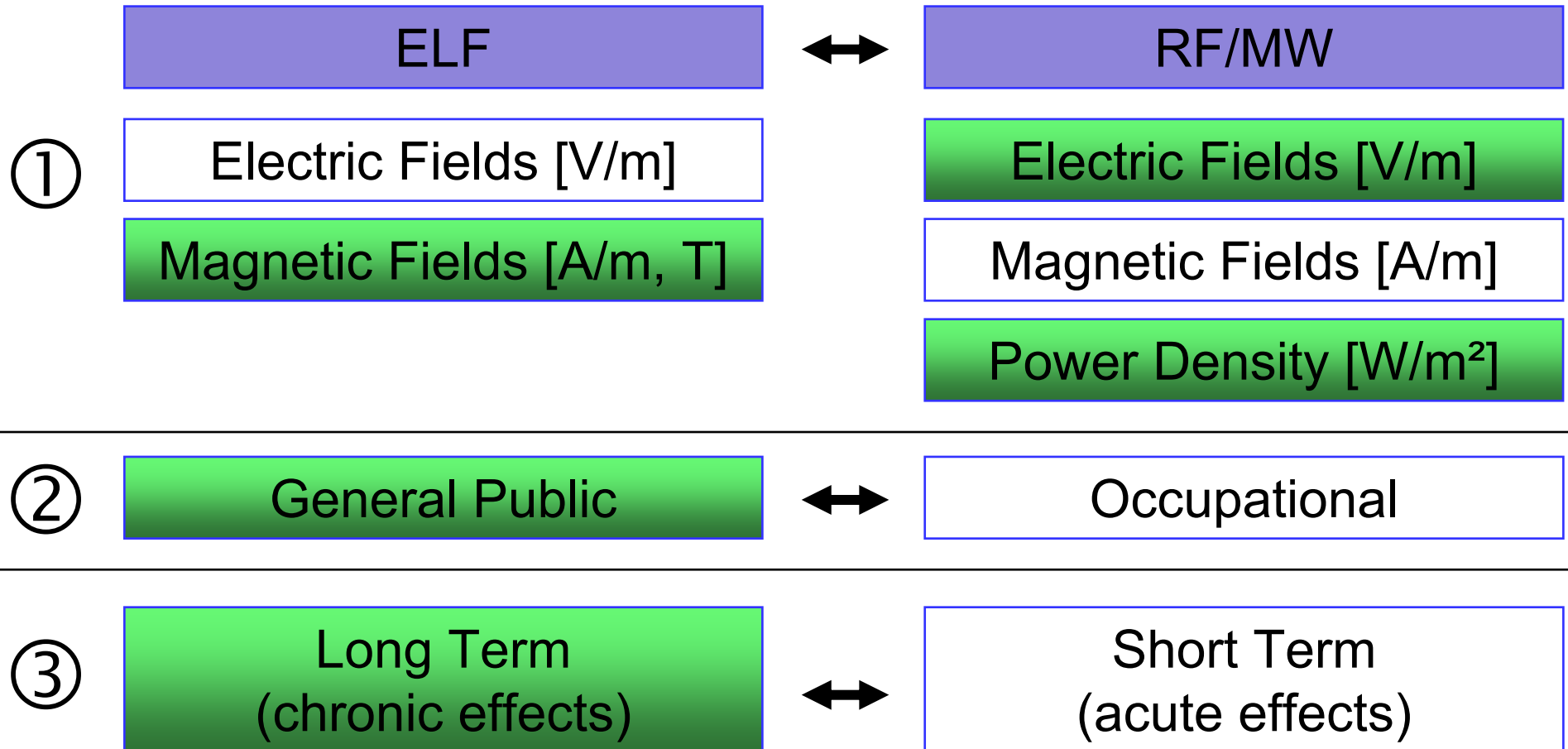


# The Precautionary Approach to Exposure Levels in Different Countries

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# Guideline Values and Standards



# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



- Installation Limit Value = 1  $\mu\text{T}$  (10 mG)
- RMS
- Load = Thermal Maximum at 40° Celsius
- “Places with Sensitive Use”  
wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds).

## Power Lines $\geq 1000$ V



# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



- Installation Limit Value = 1  $\mu$ T (10 mG)
- RMS
- Load = Nominal Power
- “Places with Sensitive Use”  
wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds).

## Transformers High + Low Voltage



# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



- Installation Limit Value = 1  $\mu$ T (10 mG)
- RMS
- Load = Nominal power
- “Places with Sensitive Use”  
wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds).

## Switchgears



# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



- Installation Limit Value = 1  $\mu$ T (10 mG)
- RMS
- 24 hours average
- Load = Regular Railway Schedule
- “Places with Sensitive Use”  
wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds).

## AC Overhead Lines Trains, Trolleys



# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



## Electrical Installations

- Feeder lines from distribution boards have to be radially installed preferably
- Loops in feeder lines have to be avoided
- Main distribution boards must not be installed near the sleeping area



# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



## ● Installation Limit Values

- ~ 900 MHz = 4 V/m (4.25  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )
- ~ 900 MHz  $\geq$  1800 MHz = 5 V/m (6.64  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )
- ~  $\geq$  1800 MHz = 6 V/m (9.55  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )

## ● RMS

## ● Load = Maximum

## ● “Places with Sensitive Use”

wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds).

## Mobile Phone Base Stations $\geq$ 6W ERP





# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



- Installation Limit Value = 8.5 V/m  
(19.17  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )
- RMS
- Load = Maximum
- “Places with Sensitive Use”  
wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds).

## Long- Medium Wave Transmitters $\geq 800$ hours



# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



- Installation Limit Value = 3 V/m  
(2.39  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )
- RMS
- Load = Maximum
- “Places with Sensitive Use”  
wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds).

## Fixed RF Transmitters $\geq 6\text{W}$ , $\geq 800$ hours



# Swiss Ordinance for Non-Ionising Radiation Protection 1999



- Installation Limit Value = 5.5 V/m  
(8.03  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )
- RMS
- Load = Maximum
- Averaged over a complete cycle
- “Places with Sensitive Use”  
wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds).

**RADAR  $\geq 6$  W ERP  
 $\geq 800$  hours**



# Italian Decree 8th July 2003

## Protect the Population against Power Frequency (50 Hz) Electric and Magnetic Fields generated by Power Lines



- Attention Value = 10  $\mu\text{T}$  (100 mG)
- Quality Goal = 3  $\mu\text{T}$  (30 mG) for new power lines and planning developments
- RMS
- Median 24 hours under normal operational conditions
- Children's playgrounds, residential dwellings, school premises and areas where people stay for 4 hours and more per day

## Power Lines



# Italian Decree 8th July 2003

## Protect the Population against Electric, Magnetic and Electromagnetic Fields 100 kHz-300 GHz



- Attention Value = 6 V/m ( $9.55 \mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )
- Quality Goal = 0.6 V/m ( $0.1 \mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ ) for one source (only relevant when attention value is exceeded)
- RMS, averaged over a six-minute period in an area equivalent to the vertical cross-section of the human body
- Children's playgrounds, residential dwellings, school premises and areas where people stay for 4 hours and more per day, plus outdoor annexes like balconies, terraces, courtyards

## Sum of RF/MW Radiation



# Principality of Liechtenstein Environmental Protection Law 2008



- General aspects:
- Exposure standards for radiation are based on the state of **scientific knowledge or experience**
- People not endangered
- Well-being of the population not substantially interfered
- In urgent cases shutdown can be ordered

## Radiation ELF +RF/MW



# Principality of Liechtenstein

## Environmental Protection Law 2008



- Installation Limit Value = 0.6 V/m (0.1  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ )  
(from January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2013)
- RMS, mean value (to be defined in a special regulation)
- “Places with Sensitive Use”  
wherever people regularly spend lengthy periods of time (e.g. apartments, schools, hospitals, offices and playgrounds)  
+ workplaces outdoors > 800 hours/year  
(~20 working weeks same person)

## Mobile Phone Base Stations $\geq 6\text{W ERP}$



# Salzburg State Parliament, Austria Decision



- Decision 29th March 2000

“The Salzburg State Parliament supports the Mobile Phone Petition from November 30th 1999.” [This means a limit value of 0.6 V/m (0.1  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ ).]

## Mobile Phone Base Stations





# Salzburg State Parliament, Austria Decision



- Decision 12th December 2007
  - „Negotiations with the federal government with the aim to implement the Salzburg precautionary limit as a fixed standard for electromagnetic radiation in order to minimize health risks.“ [This means a limit value of 0.06 V/m (0.001  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ ).]
  - „Information campaign for parents and young people showing the dangers of mobile phone use for children and young people“.
  - „Differentiated and restrained use of WiFi in spheres of responsibility of the Salzburg government“

## Mobile Phone Base Stations



# Styria State Parliament, Austria Decision



## Mobile Phone Base Stations

- Decision 11th March 2008
  - „Call the federal government to implement the Salzburg precautionary limit as a fixed standard for electromagnetic radiation in order to minimize health risks.“ [This means a limit value of 0.06 V/m (0.001  $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ ).]
  - „Inform the public on the dangers of mobile phone use in an information campaign.“

