

## General topics

### Trainee positions at REACH&CLP Helpdesk

The REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg offers two trainee positions for interested students. The internship will give them an opportunity to make themselves familiar with the European chemicals legislation in general and to work on a selected aspect in more depth. Further information on the positions and how to apply can be found on [our website](#).

### New address for the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg

The Resource Centre for Environmental Technologies (CRTE) and the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg moved on 15 April 2013. Our offices are now located on the Belval site, at 6A avenue des Hauts-Fourneaux, L-4362 Esch-sur-Alzette. Contact persons, email address, phone and fax remain unchanged.

### REACH Fee regulation updated

An amendment of the REACH Fee Regulation brings reduced fees for SMEs while the fee for large companies increase. The [Regulation \(EU\) 254/2013](#) changes the existing REACH Fee Regulation (EC) 340/2008. The new fees for registration and authorization apply from 22 March, i.e. already for the registration deadline of 31 May 2013. Further information can be found in the [ECHA News Alert](#).

### Last updates

- Downstream users: Questions & Answers updated

The new version of the document [Questions & Answers for downstream users](#) is available on line on ECHA's website.

### Presentations available from "Training REACH Excel Tool"

The REACH & CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg organised Tuesday 19 March 2013 a [training session on its REACH Excel Tool](#) at CRP Henri Tudor in Luxembourg-Kirchberg.

The [presentations](#) are now available for download (in German).

The training will be repeated in September in French.

Please find our upcoming event in the [Agenda section](#) of our website.

## REACH (Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and restrictions of CHemicals)

### Final version of REACH review available

In February 2013, the Commission adopted the General Report "Review of REACH". The report meets a number of reporting and review obligations of the Commission five years after the date of entry into force of REACH. The final version is now available in the 22 EU languages. More information on [our website](#) or on the [Commission website](#).

### Evaluation:

- Substance evaluation: First CoRAP update

The first annual update of the [Community rolling action plan \(CoRAP\)](#) for [2013-2015](#) is now available. It contains 115 substances of which 62 are newly allocated and 53 come from the [first CoRAP](#) adopted in 2012. The Member States will evaluate those substances under the substance evaluation process of the REACH Regulation in 2013, 2014, and 2015.

You will find more information in the ["News"](#) section of our website and in the [ECHA Press Release](#).

## Restrictions:

- **New restriction proposal for lead and its compounds in consumer articles**

A new restriction of lead and its compounds in consumer articles has been proposed. Lead is usually found in metal alloys, pigments/dyes, and to a lesser extent it is used as a stabiliser in plastic and as a pure metal. This restriction proposal addresses articles that can be placed in the mouth by small children. The [public consultation](#) will conclude on 21 September 2013.

However, interested parties are invited to send comments by 1 June 2013 in time for the first discussion during the meetings of the Committees for Risk Assessment (RAC) and Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC). Further information can be found in [ECHA's Press release](#).

For further information, please visit [our website](#)

## CLP (Classification, Labelling and Packaging of substances and mixtures)

### New public consultations on C&L

ECHA opened public consultations on proposals for a harmonized classification and labeling for three substances. A harmonized classification and labeling is proposed for:

- Bifenazate, acaricide against a wide range of phytophagous mites and is used in crops and ornamentals; health and environmental classifications are proposed
- Triflurosulfuron-methyl, a herbicide to be used in agriculture under field conditions; classifications for carcinogenicity and for hazards to the environment are proposed
- Direct Blue FC 57087, a industrial chemical used in ink and/or toners and as a dye in textiles; here it is proposed to remove the existing classification

The [consultation](#) will be open until 10 May. Further information can be found in [ECHA's Press release](#).

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## AGENDA

This section is updated regularly on our website, consult it at [www.reach.lu/agenda](http://www.reach.lu/agenda).

### National events

24-25 April 2013	Occupational Health and Safety Management – Edition 2013, at the Chamber of Commerce, Luxembourg-Kirchberg. More information <a href="http://www.securite-sante.lu">www.securite-sante.lu</a> .
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### International events

16-17 May 2013	Meeting of the network "ENES" (Exchange Network on Exposure Scenarios), Helsinki. <a href="#">More information here</a> .
18-19 June 2013	Helsinki Chemicals Forum 2013. More information <a href="#">here</a> .

### [Upcoming ECHA webinar:](#)

14 May 2013	How to bring your registration dossier in compliance with REACH – Tips and Hints (part 3). Open for all.
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You will find presentations from the events organized by ECHA in the [section "events"](#) of ECHA's website.