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Dear reader,

the year 2012 was a year of challenge, in the context of REACH (preparation for 2013 registration deadline, first preparation of applications for authorization, significant increase of the list of identified substances of very high concern (SVHC), new Safety Data Sheet (SDS)...), but also in the context of CLP (end of labelling derogation for substances in stock, new harmonized classifications and labeling, publication of the C&L inventory...).

To best support you, besides publishing a number of documents, the Helpdesk organized thirteen events (conferences, training cycle, REACH&CLP Coffee). These events were a great success, with the turnout almost doubled compared to 2011. You will find our publications and presentations in the [documentation section](#) of our website.

In the New Year, we will continue with the same dynamic to further improve information exchange and communication with you and for you. The REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg is designed to help Luxembourg companies to identify their obligations under the REACH and CLP Regulations and to get prepare to comply with them.

Do not hesitate to let us know your needs!

Key dates for 2013 are the following: Under REACH, a major point will be the **next registration deadline on 1 June 2013** requiring elevated actions during final stages of preparation.

The first deadlines for submitting applications for the authorization of substances listed in Annex XIV of REACH are in January and August 2013. Thus, the concerned companies must submit an application for authorization prior to these deadlines, if they want to continue to use these substances after the sunset date. In addition, the obligations related to the **inclusion of SVHC in the Candidate List** may become a major topic: the list grows steadily and the number of substances will increase significantly in the coming year.

Moreover, the **evaluation process has meanwhile begun for substances**: the Member State competent authorities evaluate all available information on the substances listed in the Community rolling action plan (CoRAP). Companies may be required to provide additional information. In the **process of evaluation of registration dossiers**, companies may also receive more and more requests to provide new data and update their registration dossiers when ECHA evaluates their dossiers.

Under CLP, the transitional period to move from the former system of classification and labeling to CLP ended 1 December 2012. Thus, **substances must now be classified and labeled according to the CLP**. At the same time, preparations for mixtures will start (CLP will become mandatory in June 2015).

In general, the downstream users (formulators, distributors, etc....) will continue to be strongly affected by the **changes related to chemical hazard communication**: new labeling and development of exposure scenarios annexed to the Safety Data Sheet (e-SDS).

Our action plan includes priorities related to these challenges to allow us to continue our mission as effectively as possible. Our program of upcoming events will be soon available in the [Agenda section](#) of our website.

*Our best wishes for a pleasant
and successful year 2013!
Your REACH&CLP
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General topics

New flyer on REACH & CLP for craftsmen



The Chamber of Crafts, in collaboration with the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg, has published a flyer named "[Chemical products: REACH&CLP for craftsmen](#)" available in French and German. Indeed, REACH&CLP affect generally every craft companies, especially in the construction sector, joineries, painting and varnishing workshops, cleaning services, chemicals cleanings, workshops, etc.

This document offers answers to the following questions: What is REACH&CLP? Who is affected? Which products are concerned? From when on are craftsmen affected? Which roles play craft companies? What are the changes for safety data sheets and labelling?

March Stakeholders' Day agenda

The Eighth Stakeholders' Day takes place in Helsinki on 26 March. The conference programme includes three plenary sessions: Registration and REACH 2013; evaluation and communication in the supply chain; as well as risk management and applications for authorisation. The day offers participants the chance to hear the latest news and updates from ECHA, European industry associations and NGOs through presentations, one-to-one and informal networking sessions. Participation to the conference is free of charge.

More information in the [event webpage](#).

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

Registration:

- Chemical safety assessment example performed with Chesar 2.1 published

An example of a chemical safety assessment prepared by ECHA using [Chesar 2.1](#) has been published on the Chesar website. Chesar is an application developed by the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) to help companies carry out their chemical safety assessments (CSAs) and prepare their chemical safety reports (CSRs) and exposure scenarios (ES) for communication in the supply chain.

Authorization:

- Candidate List updated with fifty-four new substances of very high concern (SVHCs)

In December, 54 new SVHC have been added to the Candidate List for authorisation, which now contains a total of 138 substances. The target set by the Commission to have 136 SVHCs on the Candidate List by the end of 2012 has been reached. Find further information on [our website](#) or in the [ECHA Press release](#) with a list of the 54 substances and their SVHC properties.

- ECHA recommends 10 SVHCs for authorisation

The chemicals recommended for inclusion in Annex XIV REACH (the authorisation list) are classified as carcinogenic or toxic to reproduction and are used in applications where there is potential for worker exposure. This is the fourth ECHA recommendation of substances for authorisation from the Candidate List. The substances are:

- Formaldehyde, oligomeric reaction products with aniline (technical MDA)
- Arsenic acid
- Dichromium tris(chromate)
- Strontium chromate
- Potassium hydroxyoctaoxodizincatedichromate
- Pentazinc chromate octahydroxide
- Bis(2-methoxyethyl) ether (diglyme)
- N,N-dimethylacetamide (DMAC)
- 1,2-dichloroethane (EDC)
- 2,2'-dichloro-4,4'-methylenedianiline (MOCA)

More information, in particular on the uses of these substances can be found in the [ECHA Press Release](#).



Restrictions:

- **Public consultation on restriction for Chromium VI in leather articles**

ECHA launched a public consultation on SEAC's respective draft opinion. **Comments can be submitted until 12 February 2013.** A public consultation on the restriction proposal, submitted by Denmark, on chromium (VI) in leather articles took already place from March to September 2012. The proposal has been discussed in ECHA's Committees for Risk Assessment (RAC) and Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC). Both Committees' opinions support the restriction proposal. In accordance with the REACH Regulation, ECHA launched a [public consultation](#) on SEAC's draft opinion with the deadline for comments on 12 February 2013. Further information can be found in the [ECHA Press Release](#) and at the [restriction section](#) of the ECHA website.

- **Call for evidence on the use of cadmium in plastics**

ECHA is asking for evidence to assess the impact of expanding REACH restriction on cadmium and its compounds in plastic materials. Anyone who could be affected by a widening of this restriction is invited to submit comments before 11 February 2013 via an online questionnaire available on the ECHA website. Find more information in the [ECHA press release](#).

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

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

Harmonized classification and labeling

Five proposals are in [public consultation](#) until 1 February 2013. They concern three pesticides and two industrial chemicals: Pyridaben (EC No. 405-700-3); Dodemorph (216-474-9) Dodemorph acetate (50-778-2) Phenol, dodecyl-, branched (10-154-3), Imidazole (206-019-2).

Reminder: Starting with this public consultation running since 18 December 2012, ECHA has decided to make comments received during consultation for harmonized classification and labeling publicly available. Stakeholders are invited to provide their comments at the beginning of the consultation so that other stakeholders can respond and make comments. You can also already see the comments made during the [consultation which ended 7 December 2012](#).

Also remember to regularly check the [Registry of intentions](#) (listing Member States intentions) and the [scientific opinions](#) of RAC (Risk Assessment Committee) on harmonized classifications and labeling.

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

AGENDA

This section is updated regularly on our website, consult it at www.reach.lu/agenda.

National events

The program of our next events for 2013 will be available soon

International events

11-12/02/2013	ECHA seminar on applications for authorisation future applicants
26/03/2013	Eighth Stakeholder's Day in Helsinki (special focus on the 2013 registration deadline).

[Next ECHA's webinars](#) for REACH registration 2013:

28/01/2013	How to bring your registration dossier in compliance with REACH – Tips and Hints (part 2). Open for all.
25/02/2013	Key technical steps needed to successfully submit a lead registration dossier by the 31 May 2013. Open for lead registrants.

You will find presentations from the events organized by ECHA in the [section "events"](#) of ECHA's website.