

General things

Luxembourgish Forum on Safety and Health at Work

The REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg will attend the 8th Forum on Safety and Health at Work, which will be held on 27 and 28 March 2014 in Luxexpo, Luxembourg-Kirchberg.

Organised within the framework of the World Day for Safety and Health at Work, the Forum provides a unique platform for companies wishing to share their experiences, best practices and learn about new developments in risk prevention.

All information about the forum can be found here: www.securite-sante.lu.

Trainee position at REACH&CLP Helpdesk

The REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg offers a trainee position for a minimum of three months. The internship will give an opportunity to become familiar with the European chemicals legislation in general and to work on a selected aspect in more depth.

Further information on the position and how to apply can be found on <u>our website</u>.

Synchronise IUCLID with exposure information generated by Chesar

The new version of the IUCLID Report Generator imports exposure assessment information generated in the Chemical safety assessment (CSA) and reporting tool (Chesar) to the relevant IUCLID sections. Further information <u>here</u>.

REACH&CLP: On-going public consultations

Several public consultations are on-going and available on ECHA's website. They are related to new proposals for harmonised classification and labelling de, proposals for identification of substances of very high concern (SVHC), proposals for restriction and testing proposals.

- <u>Proposals for harmonised classification and labelling</u>: for a rodenticide (chloralose), deadline: 28 March 2014; for two types of glass fibres and one plasticiser (dicyclohexyl phthalate), deadline: 22 April 2014.
- <u>Proposals for identification of SVHC</u>: they concern four news substances: 1,2-Benzenedicarboxylic acid, dihexyl ester branched and linear, cadmium chloride, sodium perborate and perboric acid, sodium salt, and sodium peroxometaborate. Deadline: 17 April 2014.
- Proposals for restriction: reminder, consultation on one <u>restriction proposal</u> is still on-going on cadmium and its compounds in paints. Deadline: 17 June 2014.

The German and Norwegian authorities have launched a <u>call for information</u> to identify uses, quantities and the availability as well as the technical and economic feasibility of alternatives of PFOA and PFOA-related substances. The information will be used for the scope and in the assessment of feasibility of alternatives in the preparation of the Annex XV restriction dossier. Deadline is 30 April 2014.

- Testing proposals: There are two deadlines: 4 April 2014 (36 substances) and 17 April 2014 (29 substances).

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Save the date: Our list of events planned for 2014 is available!

You can consult, on our website, the list of events planned for 2014 by the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg, as well as the Betriber an Emwelt events. To facilitate the selection of your program, we have defined three indicative levels: beginner, intermediate and expert. The summary flyer is available in "Agenda" the section. This document also summarizes in general terms the services we offer as national helpdesk.



Authorisation

ECHA proposes a new batch of SVHCs for authorisation

ECHA has recommended a new batch of substances for authorisation to the European Commission. This is meanwhile ECHA's <u>fifth recommendation</u> of priority substances for authorisation from the Candidate List. When finalising its recommendation, ECHA took into account the comments received during public consultation last summer and the opinion of the Member State Committee from December 2013. The final decision on the inclusion of the substances in Annex XIV and on the dates by which companies will need to apply for authorisation to ECHA will be taken by the European Commission in collaboration with the Member States and the European Parliament. Further information can be found <u>here</u>.

New public consultation on application for authorisation

ECHA has received four applications for authorisation for uses of diarsenic trioxide, lead sulfochromate yellow (C.I. Pigment Yellow 34) and lead chromate molybdate sulphate red (C.I. Pigment Red 104). ECHA now invites interested parties to submit relevant information on alternatives to these uses. Deadline: 9 April 2014.

Further information can be found in ECHA's news alert and on the ECHA webpage "Applications for authorisation".

 Updated guidance on the preparation of an Annex XV dossier for the identification of substances of very high concern

The European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) has published on its website an update of the Guidance on the preparation of an Annex XV dossier for the identification of substances of very high concern. This update takes into account the amendment of Annex XIII REACH, according to Regulation (EU) No 253/2011, and the experience and best practice developed by the Member State competent authorities and ECHA. Further information can be found in <u>ECHA's news alert</u>.

Evaluation

Evaluation report 2013 with recommendations for companies published

ECHA published its Evaluation Report 2013. It includes a description of the main outcomes of the ECHA evaluation work in 2013 and key recommendations for companies. ECHA's annual evaluation report 2013 gives recommendations to all registrants on how to improve the quality of their dossiers. The report also gives specific recommendations for both future registrants for the 2018 deadline and existing registrants who may need to update their dossiers.

Further information can be found here.

* Recommendations on best practice for interaction during substance evaluation published

The Member States, the European Commission and ECHA have agreed on recommendations regarding harmonising the interaction between the evaluating Member State and the registrants under substance evaluation. These recommendations are now published on ECHA's website. This document presents recommendations for best practice to aid open and efficient interaction between the evaluating Member States (eMS) and the registrants. The eMS are recommended to make contact with the concerned registrants shortly after publication of the CoRAP for the first year substances. Where there is a large number of registrants, eMS should contact the lead registrant in the first instance. Registrants are also encouraged to be proactive.

Further information can be found here.

Registration: Unresponsive registrants of intermediates obliged to give more information

After an IT screening on intermediate registrations and after analysing the current situation, ECHA has again identified registrants who have registered their substances as intermediates but have not responded to the Agency's requests to correct the inconsistencies found in their dossiers. As a result, the ECHA has started regulatory action against the unresponsive companies. ECHA will be sending out letters requesting tonnage information for the uses that remain inconsistent with the intermediate definition or strictly controlled conditions as laid down in Articles 3, 17 and 18 REACH. Further information can be found <u>here</u>.

For further information, please visit our website "What is REACH?"

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The new release of the C&L inventory is available

ECHA has released a new update of the C&L Inventory. The changes implemented improve the information visualised on the summary of the classification and labelling page. With this new release, ECHA aims to further enhance the user-friendliness and readability of the database and works towards the goal of making the C&L Inventory a central source of information on harmonised and self-classified substances (on the European market).

Further information can be found in the ECHA news alert. You can also consult the dedicated page on the C&L inventory.

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This section is regularly updated on our website, consult it here.

National events

- 27-28 March 2014: Forum of Safety and Health at Work, Luxexpo, L-Kirchberg. Further information <u>here</u>. Free entrance with advance booking. The REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg will welcome you on its stand and will hold a workshop, in French, on "CLP: Obligations and opportunities for companies".
 - 25 April 2014: Betriber an Emwëlt event "Introduction to environmental regulations in Luxembourg", in French, Chamber of Commerce, L-Kirchberg. Further information <u>here</u>.

International events

- 27-28 March 2014: Workshop "Submitting applications for authorisation for chromates in efficient way", Brussels, Belgium. Further information here.
 - 28-29 April 2014: Seminar on application for authorisation, ECHA, Helsinki, Finland. Further information here.
 - 29-30 April 2014: Workshop "Sharing experience on applications for authorisation", ECHA, Helsinki, Finland. Further information <u>here</u>.
 - 21 May 2014: Ninth Stakeholder's day, ECHA, Helsinki, Finland. Further information here.

Webinars

- 21 March 2014: What applicants need to know about technical equivalence and chemical similarity. Further information here.
- 31 March 2014: How to ensure the safe use of nanomaterials under REACH Part III: Exposure and risk assessment. Further information <u>here</u>.

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