

## General things

### The Helpdesk changes address

Since January 2015 the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg is managed by the Luxembourg Institute of Science and Technology (LIST). This is a result of the merger of the two Public Research Centres Henri Tudor and Gabriel Lippmann. You can find below our new contact details:

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Save the date: Our list of events planned for 2015 is available!

You can consult on our website the list of events planned for 2015 by The Luxembourg Institute of Science and Technology (LIST) and the REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg, as well as the Betriber an Umwelt event serie. To facilitate the selection of your program, we have defined three indicative levels: beginner, intermediate and expert. The summary flyer is available in the "[Agenda](#)" section. This document also summarizes in general terms the services we offer as national helpdesk.

### Upcoming event

#### ❖ Conference on CLP 2015 deadline

The REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg is pleased to invite you to its next conference entitled: "CLP 2015: classification and labelling of mixtures – Communication for safe use of chemicals" which will be held on Tuesday, 31 March 2015 from 13:30 to 17:00 at the premises of Luxembourg Institute of Science and Technology in Luxembourg-Kirchberg.

This new conference will be dedicated to the CLP deadline of 1<sup>st</sup> June 2015 related to the classification and labelling of chemical mixtures. Indeed, at this date, a significant amount of products, including consumer products such as paints and detergents, as well as industrial mixtures, must be re-labelled and their safety data sheets (SDS) updated. Therefore, users also have to adapt themselves to the new system and employers and workers have to manage the transition to this new system.

This conference, taking place in French, is a place for information and exchange for professionals involved in regulatory tasks, thanks to:

- Various presentations dedicated to the CLP 2015 deadline, with:
  - In the first part, an overview on the latest developments and key changes impacting the classification of mixtures, and;
  - A second part dedicated to the management of SDSs and extended SDSs.
- Practical examples and experience reports from different companies

Further information and the registration form can be found [here](#). Visit also our "[Agenda](#)" section for an overview of all our 2015 events.

## ❖ Helpdesk Q&A session: Dates first semester

The REACH&CLP Helpdesk Luxembourg offers Luxembourgish companies a monthly Q&A session to discuss face to face and one to one with the Helpdesk team. The second Tuesday of every month at 2 p.m., Luxembourgish companies can discuss with the Helpdesk team about every REACH&CLP related concern or question they may have. Up-coming dates are **14 April, 12 May, 9 June, 14 July**.

Companies can register via the [Helpdesk contact form](#) and are asked to specify the topic in advance and indicate the preferred languages and date.

## New and on-going public consultations

REACH: [Proposals for identification of SVHC](#)

Substances	Start date	Deadline
1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid, di-C6-10-alkyl esters; 1,2-benzenedicarboxylic acid, mixed decyl and hexyl and octyl diesters with $\geq 0.3\%$ of dihexyl phthalate	02/03/2015	16/04/2015
5-sec-butyl-2-(2,4-dimethylcyclohex-3-en-1-yl)-5-methyl-1,3-dioxane [1], 5-sec-butyl-2-(4,6-dimethylcyclohex-3-en-1-yl)-5-methyl-1,3-dioxane [2] (covering any of the individual isomers of [1] and [2] or any combination thereof)		

REACH: [Applications for authorisation](#)

Substances	Start date	Deadline	
Lead chromate	11/02/2015	08/04/2015	⇒ <a href="#">Further information</a>

REACH: [Testing proposals](#) in the framework of the registration procedure

	Start date	Deadline
21 proposals	16/02/2015	02/04/2015

CLP: [Proposals for harmonised classification and labelling](#)

Substances	Start date	Deadline
1R-trans-Z-momfluorothrin	10/02/2015	27/03/2015
Anthraquinone	18/02/2015	07/04/2015

## Presentations for downstream users

ECHA publishes a [series of presentations](#) about key issues of REACH and CLP affecting downstream users. They will be aimed at a wide range of audiences, including management, workers, environmental health and safety professionals, industry groups and authorities. The first presentation gives an overview of the main obligations, communication in the supply chain and the regulatory impact regarding substances of concern.

## ECHA lists substances likely to face compliance checks

ECHA has adopted a new practice of periodically publishing a list of substances that are likely to face compliance checks. This is to give registrants advanced warning and a chance to update their REACH registration dossiers before checking begins. The agency's first [list](#) contains 38 substances that are likely to be checked in 2015. However, ECHA stresses that the list is indicative and that additional substances could be selected at any time. In addition, you can consult our news "ECHA tightens its practice on dossier updates" available [here](#).

### QSAR Toolbox 3.3.2 now available

The [QSAR Toolbox](#) version 3.3.2 is available for download. Further information available [here](#).

### Business survey: Give feedback on implementation of REACH

A survey of businesses across the European Union is being carried out on behalf of the EU Commission to obtain feedback on a number of key issues related to the implementation of REACH. It is part of a study to evaluate the changes in the operational conditions and the structure of the chemicals industry and downstream industries, after the introduction of REACH.

Companies are invited to participate in the survey until 10 March 2015. The questionnaire can be found [here](#). Further information can be found [here](#).

## ECHA's annual evaluation report published

ECHA published its Evaluation report 2014. It covers the Agency's evaluation activities and the corresponding output. This report shows that a considerable share of the examined registration dossiers still requires improvement. 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](#).

## Authorisation – Public consultation on simplification of REACH authorisation applications

The European Commission is preparing a streamlining and simplification of the REACH authorisation application procedure for applications concerning uses of Annex XIV substances in low volumes and a one-time extension of transitional arrangements for uses of substances in legacy spare parts. Stakeholders are invited to provide comments until 30 April 2015 in a public consultation. Further details can be found at the [Commission website](#).

## Restriction – Annex XVII REACH: Updated entries for phthalates and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)

[Commission Regulation \(EU\) 2015/326](#) amends Annex XVII REACH as regards polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) and phthalates. For PAH, a new standard method (EN 16143:2013 - Petroleum products — Determination of content of Benzo(a)pyrene (BaP) and selected polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) in extender oils — Procedure using double LC cleaning and GC/MS analysis) is added in entry 50. In entries 51 and 52 on phthalates, a reference on a Commission review that took place meanwhile is deleted.

## New test method added to Annex VIII-X REACH

The Extended One-Generation Reproductive Toxicity Study (EOGRTS) has been added to Annex VIII-X REACH by [Commission Regulation \(EU\) 2015/282](#). It is a new test method developed to assess the reproductive toxicity of chemical substances. Annexes VIII to X REACH are now amended to specify how the new test method is to be used for the purposes of REACH. Further information can be found [here](#).

For further information, please visit our website ["What is REACH?"](#)

## AGENDA

This section is regularly updated on our website, consult it [here](#).

### National events

- 31 March 2015 Conference "CLP 2015: Classification and labelling of mixtures - communication for safe use of chemicals", in French, Luxembourg Institute of Science and Technology (LIST), L-Kirchberg. Further information can be found [here](#).
- 9 June 2015 Lunch meeting "Chemicals: overview of the new hazard pictograms", 12:00-14:00, in German, Chamber of Crafts, L-Kirchberg. Further information available soon.
- 30 June 2015 Lunch meeting "Chemicals: overview of the new hazard pictograms", 12:00-14:00, in French, Chamber of Crafts, L-Kirchberg. Further information available soon.

### International events

- 11-12 March 2015 Workshop "Chemical Watch Global Supply Chain Workshop", Brussels, Belgium. Further information can be found [here](#).
- 7 May 2015 Tenth Stakeholders' Day, ECHA, Helsinki, Finland. Further information [here](#).