

General things

New and on-going public consultations

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

Substances	Start date	Deadline
Hexaflumuron (ISO)	02/06/2015	17/07/2015
Penthiopyrad (ISO)		
Silver zinc zeolite (Zeolite, LTA framework type, surface modified with silver and zinc ions)		03/08/2015
Amisulbrom (ISO)	16/06/2015	31/07/2015
Chlorocresol		
Flutianil (ISO)		
Nonadecafluorodecanoic acid; Ammonium nonadecafluorodecanoate; Sodium nonadecafluorodecanoate		
Pyroxsulam		

ECHA would like to visit SMEs

To promote ECHA experts' understanding of companies' business needs in complying with the EU chemicals legislation, ECHA staff will be visiting SMEs in EU countries. ECHA is now looking for SMEs willing to volunteer for this staff training program and to host one of ECHA colleagues for two days in autumn 2015.

If you are interested, please contact ECHA:

sme-ambassador@echa.europa.eu.

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

	Start date	Deadline
1 proposal	12/06/2015	27/07/2015
36 proposals	25/06/2015	10/08/2015

REACH: [Call for comments and evidence](#)

Substances	Start date	Deadline	
Bis(pentabromophenyl) ether (decabromodiphenyl ether) (DecaBDE)	17/06/2015	17/08/2015	SEAC draft opinion
Octamethylcyclotetrasiloxane (D4), Decamethylcyclopentasiloxane (D5)	18/06/2015	18/12/2015	

PACT updated

The Public Activities Coordination Tool (PACT) has been updated with the publication of several new intentions for informal hazard assessment, one new intention for risk management option analysis (RMOA) development and one RMOA conclusion document.

Further information can be found in [ECHA's e-news](#).

Latest publications

- **New REACH 2018 registration guide for SMEs (Part B):** The German Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (baua) has published now the second part of a new [guidance document on registration under REACH](#). Further information: [here](#).
- **New INRS leaflet on the labelling of chemicals:** INRS (National Institute for Research and Safety for the prevention of occupational accidents and diseases) published last April a [leaflet](#) (in French) entitled: "Dans mon entreprise, j'étiquette les produits chimiques" ("In my business, I label the chemicals"). Further information: [here](#).
- **Commission's workshop on how to identify complex substances in REACH:** The recordings, presentations and summary of the break-out groups' discussions of last Commission's workshop are available on the [European Commission's website](#). Further information: [here](#).

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Forum's new project focuses on child-resistant fastenings

Inspectors in 15 Member States (including Luxembourg) will check the safety of packaging of hazardous substances and mixtures that consumers use. The inspections will run from July to December 2015 and focus on consumer products with hazardous substances or mixtures requiring child resistant fastenings. This is the [Forum's](#) first project with a focus on enforcement of specific packaging requirements. The report will be published in June 2016. Further information can be found in [ECHA's news item](#).

New RAC and SEAC conclusions

The Committee for Risk Assessment (RAC) concluded on two restriction proposals, discussed applications for authorisation and adopted harmonised classification and labelling opinions. The Committee for Socio-economic Analysis (SEAC) concluded on two restriction proposals and agreed on two draft opinions on applications for authorisation. Further information: [here](#).

Verification of fee reductions for incorrect declaration of company size

The Management Board of ECHA has revised the levels of the administrative charge. The new scales of the charge take into account the financial gain made from an incorrect declaration of company size. ECHA's Management Board decision entered into force on 4 June 2015 following the favourable opinion of the European Commission.

Further information can be found in [ECHA's news alert](#).

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

New version of Annex II REACH on Safety Data Sheet

Annex II REACH lays down requirements for the compilation of safety data sheets, used to provide information on chemical substances and mixtures in the European Union. [Regulation \(EU\) 2015/830](#) adapts these requirements now to the fifth revision of the GHS rules for safety data sheets. Safety data sheets provided to any recipient before 1 June 2015 may continue to be used and need not comply with the Annex to the new Regulation until 31 May 2017.

REACH fees adjusted for inflation

An amendment ([Regulation \(EU\) 2015/864](#)) to the Fee [Regulation \(EC\) 340/2008](#), amended by [Regulation \(EU\) 254/2013](#), has been published in the Official Journal of the European Union.

Further information: [here](#).

Authorisation

❖ Candidate List updated

At 15 June 2015, two substances are added to the [Candidate List](#) for authorisation which now contains 163 substances:

- Mixed alkyl diesters which were added to the list due to their reproductive toxicity;
- A group entry for substances with very persistent and very bioaccumulative properties. This group of substances covers particularly the karanal, mainly used as a fragrance ingredient.

As a reminder, the use of these "substances of very high concern" (SVHC) is not forbidden. They may continue to be placed on the market but are subject to communication duties by suppliers in accordance with Articles 31, 32 and 33 of REACH. Manufacturers and importers of articles that contain one of the substances must notify ECHA pursuant to Article 7.2 REACH. The deadline for notifying these two substances is 15 December 2015.

Further information can be found in [ECHA's press release](#).

❖ Second decision on an application to use a substance subject to authorisation published

The European Commission issued on 3 June 2015 its [second decision](#) to authorise an industrial use of diarsenic trioxide as a processing aid to activate the absorption and desorption of carbon dioxide by potassium carbonate from synthesis gas formed in the production of ammonia. The authorisation is valid till 21 March 2017. The authorisation holder is Yara France.

❖ New summary table available for applications for authorisation

Companies applying for an authorisation for the use of their substances need to fill in also a summary table of their risk management measures and operational conditions. This table is now a mandatory document to be filled in and submitted as a part of the application for authorisation dossier. Further information can be found in [ECHA's news alert](#).

Registration

❖ Are you negotiating for data for your REACH registration?

ECHA has published a [new web page](#) and a [new factsheet](#) giving practical advice for your data-sharing negotiations. The page guides you through the different steps for a successful negotiation and gives you tips on what to do if you struggle to advance your negotiations. The factsheet gives an overview of different types of costs that you can come across during the data-sharing negotiations. The information is particularly helpful for small and medium-sized companies who might not yet be well aware of their rights and obligations. Further information can be found in [ECHA's e-news](#).

❖ OECD releases new data on nanomaterials

The OECD has started the publication of new data on eleven nanomaterials. ECHA encourages registrants of these substances to carefully assess the new data. When relevant, they should take this information into account and update their registration dossiers accordingly to ensure the safe use of their substances. Further information can be found in [ECHA's press release](#).

Registrants encouraged to re-assess information on reproductive toxicity

From 1 October 2015, ECHA will start the decision making on testing proposals on the reproductive toxicity endpoint, i.e. extended one-generation reproductive toxicity study (EOGRTS). The Agency will soon contact registrants with pending testing proposals under examination in ECHA and encourage them to update their testing proposal on reproductive toxicity to correspond with the updated REACH annexes.

Further information: [here](#).

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

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

C&L inventory updated with Seveso III categorisation of substances

ECHA has released an update of the Classification and Labelling Inventory to include the categorisation of harmonised substances according to the [Seveso III Directive](#). This is a further step to make the C&L Inventory a central source of information on harmonised and self-classified substances on the EU market. Further information can be found in [ECHA's news item](#).

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AGENDA

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

National events

1st October 2015 "REACH Excel Tool" training – New version, 14:00-17:00, in French. Further information available soon.

The second Tuesday of every month at 2 p.m., the Helpdesk offers Luxembourgish companies its [Q&A session](#) to discuss face to face and one to one with the Helpdesk team about every REACH&CLP related concern or question they may have. Up-coming date is **14 July**. Please register via our [contact form](#).

International events

7-8 October 2015 Topical Scientific Workshop on Soil Risk Assessment, Helsinki, Finland. Further information [here](#).