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## 9th Meeting of the Exchange Network on Exposure Scenarios (ENES9) 5-6 November 2015

# Improving the generation and communication of exposure scenarios - 2018 and beyond

# Venue: Sheraton Brussels Airport Hotel, Brussels

#### Aim

The purpose of ENES9 is to:

- 1. Provide registrants, downstream users and Member State authorities with details on the tools developed under the CSR/ES Roadmap to improve information on use and exposure under REACH.
- 2. Explain why those tools are necessary and how they can be used.
- 3. Promote the Roadmap's tools among the different REACH actors.

ENES9 provides information that is particularly relevant to the following groups:

- Registrants and consortia (including consultants working for them)
- Downstream users, and in particular first level formulators.
- Sector associations.
- Member State authorities.

#### 5 November 2015, 12:00-18:00h

#### Theme A: Providing data on existing conditions of use to registrants

Tools designed to help registrants get realistic information on downstream uses to generate useful information in their CSR (for authorities) and ES for communication (for their customers):

- a) Improved sector use maps
  - final template and guidelines
  - > promoting use maps to set supply chain sectors working together.
- b) Exposure assessment input data sets for human health and the environment:
  - Sector-specific worker exposure descriptions (SWEDs)
  - > Specific environmental exposure categories (SpERCs).
- c) How registrants can identify uses relevant to their substance. How do registrants select from the CSR the information to be communicated to customers? How to phrase the information for communication.
- d) IT Tool infrastructure: The tools developed for improved efficiency, transparency and consistency with the focus on use and exposure information.
  - IUCLID6; Chesar3; use map template family (including SpERC, SWED, SCED); ESCom package.
- e) Authorities' use of information in the prioritisation of substances of concern: the role of use-related information in ECHA's priority setting schemes.
- f) Guidance on use and exposure assessment.

Key points introduced by Guidance updates on:

- Description of use (R.12).
- Building and communicating exposure scenarios (Part D).
- Occupational exposure assessment (R.14).
- > Consumer exposure assessment from mixtures and articles (R.15).
- > Environmental exposure assessment (R.16).











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#### Theme B: Providing data on existing conditions of use to registrants *cont*.

- g) Projects on improving of risk management information provided under REACH:
  - Cefic's Long Range Initiative research projects;
  - BAuA's project on building the bridge between existing safe use guidance and practical approaches under REACH.
  - h) Building the links between REACH exposure scenarios and use-specific risk management advice under occupational legislation.

#### Theme C: Working Sessions

a) Three parallel working sessions:

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Connecting existing risk management guidance / practice for workers to the REACH chemical safety assessment.	Adopting and implementing the Roadmap products.	Exemplification of use description.
<b>Objective:</b> To identify how to connect REACH risk management measures and existing exposure control measures derived from common occupational health and safety guidance like COSHH Essentials, GISBAU safety advice.	<b>Objective:</b> To identify potential barriers and discuss the strategies to overcome them, including cascading the Roadmap's benefits and added-value.	<ul> <li>Objective:</li> <li>To identify the topics where further exemplification would be desirable;</li> <li>To explore ways of disseminating the examples;</li> <li>To determine what support structure would be useful during the filling in of use maps.</li> </ul>

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#### Theme C: Working Sessions cont.

- b) Reports from Working Sessions (in plenary)
- c) Discussion and agreement on next steps.

#### Theme D: Tools for formulators and users of mixtures.

- a) Generating safe use information for mixtures: status report on Cefic/VCI's draft guide and testing exercise on the Lead Component IDentification method (LCID).
- b) Receiving and interpreting Safe Use information for MIxtures (SUMIs): presentation of an agreed template and guidelines from the Downstream Users of Chemicals Co-ordination Group (DUCC) sector associations. What end-users can expect to receive for mixtures.
- c) Supporting customers to verify conformity with the exposure scenarios received. Building flexibility into exposure scenarios for substances based on the scaling concept and the related Cefic conformity tool.

## Closing of meeting:

- a) Conclusions and next steps.
- b) What to look forward to post-ENES9 and early in 2016: other Roadmap actions.

#### Meeting ends 17:00h.







