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Will you be thriving or barely surviving under REACH?

Outside of the European Union many organisations are still unaware of the risks - and opportunities - that REACH brings. REACH, the controversial chemicals policy from the EU reverses the burden of proof and puts the responsibility on the producer and importer to show that substances are safe before they can be placed on the market.

But REACH does not only affect Europeans - REACH affects everyone who manufactures/ exports substances, preparations and articles to the EU. And remember it's not just your company, REACH impacts on customers and suppliers within the value chain.

Whatever your strategy the conference will provide a series of practical solutions to the ever evolving technical and legal challenges that you are facing.

Within your company and across your supply chain REACH requires a holistic approach. Different teams, actors and customers need to forge new relationships and that is what this conference aims to do. There are three separately bookable days tailored to meet your needs:

Day One: SIEF and Consortia

One of the primary building blocks of the REACH registration process is the consortium. Although not a mandatory requirement, consortia are a valuable tool for manufacturers and/or importers to meet the legal obligations of "substance information exchange forums". The rewards can be great, but so can the risks. Learn how to optimise the SIEF and consortia, mitigate the risk and manage data sharing.

Day Two: Testing & Safety Assessments

The ability to conduct scientifically robust and practical risk assessments forms an intrinsic part of REACH testing requirements. Understanding which toxicological and ecotoxicological tests are most suitable for your requirements and how to interpret the corresponding data, will play an important part in developing effective safety assessments. Day two of the conference will be devoted to safety assessment under REACH, including the testing of nanomaterials. This is important to anyone involved in environmental, occupational and consumer protection.

Day Three: Supply Chain Communication

Each member of the supply chain needs to invest valuable time and resources to ensure they have in place the necessary technical and management structures to comply with REACH. The day will be structured to include best and worst case scenarios of supply chain management, establishing the roles and responsibilities of downstream users, distributors and manufacturers. Guidance will be given on products, interpretation of the regulation and technical guidance and possible reduced requirements under REACH.

As the core processes of REACH interlink, so do the days of the conference. Determine who is most appropriate to attend each day and build your own bespoke event accordingly.

Early Registration Offers

Register before 20 November 2008 to take advantage of the special Early Bird Discount registration fee.

Attendance for one day only

\$500 per delegate before 20 November 2008

\$550 per delegate after 20 November 2008

Attendance for two days

\$950 per delegate before 20 November 2008

\$1100 per delegate after 20 November 2008

Attendance for three days

\$1400 per delegate before 20 November 2008

\$1550 per delegate after 20 November 2008

Venue

The conference will take place at:

Renaissance Houston Hotel Greenway Plaza, 6 Greenway Plaza East, Houston, Texas 77046, Tel: +1 713 629 1200

The hotel combines a luxurious atmosphere with a convenient, central location. Nestled in Greenway Plaza, the Renaissance Houston Hotel is near the Galleria Mall and provides complimentary transportation to the shopping center. Enjoy close proximity to Lakewood Church, Downtown, Reliant Park, Texas Medical Center, and the Museum District. This award-winning luxury hotel in Houston offers club-inspired design with spacious guest rooms featuring plush new bedding, elegant bathrooms, and large walk-in closets.

Houston is the nation's fourth largest city, home to 2 million people and a hub of international businesses. Known around the world for NASA Space Center in the Clear Lake area and Texas Medical Center, Houston is also the proud home of a dizzying array of performing arts groups, professional sports teams, shopping destinations and great restaurants.

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Day One: SIEF and Consortia Planning

- 08.00 REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST
- 08.55 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO DAY ONE
Chairperson: Dr C T Helmes, SOCMA, USA
- 09.00 An update from ECHA: implementation activities at ECHA
Joerg Lebsanft, ECHA, Finland
- 09.30 REACH: Past and present; issues for 2009 and beyond
Emma Chynoweth, Chemical Watch, UK
- 10.00 US view of REACH implementation and an update of the impact on US industry
Mike Walls, American Chemistry Council, USA
- 10.30 Panel Q & A
- 10.45 COFFEE
- 11.15 Managing multi-substance consortia in the age of the SIEF
Paul Ashford, Caleb Management Services Ltd, UK
- 12.15 Case study: From market competitors to REACH collaborators – consortium management in practice
Brian Watt, Innospec Fuel Specialties & Chairman, Additives Technical Group (ATC), UK
- 12.45 Panel Q & A
- 13.00 LUNCH
- 14.15 The new phase of REACH, post pre-registration – SIEFs, consortia and getting the work done
Mike Penman, Lower Olefins and Aromatics Temporary Association c/o Penman Consulting BVBA, Belgium
- 15.15 COFFEE
- 15.45 SIEFreach - the missing link
Jack Wille, ReachLink, Belgium
- 16.15 Substance identification and naming in practice
Joseph Plamondon, Bergeson & Campbell, P C, USA
- 16.45 Panel Q & A
- 17.00 END OF DAY ONE
- 19.00 EVENING DRINKS RECEPTION

Wednesday 21 January

Day Two: Testing and Safety Assessments

- 08.00 REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST
- 08.55 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO DAY TWO
Chairperson: Dr Steffen Eler, Smithers Rapra Technology Limited, UK
- 09.00 Developing sound hazard assessments through effective testing programmes
Arthur E Putt, Springborn Smithers Laboratories, USA
- 10.00 Case study: Hazard assessment of chemicals used in the plastics industry
Dr Robbie Waites, Sabic Innovative Plastics, USA
- 10.30 Panel Q & A
- 10.45 COFFEE
- 11.15 Case study: The environmental assessment of fragrance materials
Dr Daniel Salvito, Research Institute for Fragrance Materials, Inc, USA
- 11.45 Case study: The use of generic exposure coatings across many coating sectors
Dr Peter Oldring, Valspar Europe, UK
- 12.15 Panel Q & A
- 12.30 LUNCH
- 13.45 Only Representative scheme in practice: roles, responsibilities and coordinating safety assessments
Jan-Paul Kimmel, Haskoning Nederland BV, The Netherlands
- 14.15 Panel Discussion
- 15.00 COFFEE
- 15.30 Case study: Nanomaterials under REACH
Dr Shaun F Clancy, Evonik Degussa Corporation, USA
- 16.00 Case study: Strategies for evaluating the toxicity of nanoparticles - BASF experience
Dr Raymond M David, BASF Corporation, USA
- 16.30 Panel Q & A
- 16.45 END OF DAY TWO

Day Three: Supply Chain Communication

- 08.00 REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST
- 08.55 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION TO DAY TWO
Chairperson: Don Wright, Office of the European Union, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce, USA
- 09.00 Standardising REACH
Brynn Murphy, ASTM International, USA
- 09.30 Beyond pre-registration: business and trade impacts along the REACH supply chain
Robert Matthews, McKenna Long & Aldridge, USA
- 10.00 Ensuring REACH compliance along the whole supply chain: contractual clauses
Giovanni Indirli, Mayer Brown International LLP, Belgium
- 10.30 Panel Q & A
- 10.45 COFFEE
- 11.15 Case study: Supply chain communication: Strategies and experiences for global article manufacturers
Dr Brian Magee, AMEC Earth & Environmental, USA
- 11.45 Case study: Tools and methods in the plastics sector
Dr Steffen Erler, Smithers Rapra Technology Ltd, UK
- 12.15 NGO perspective on REACH implementation: REACH SIN list - an NGO driven project for toxic use reduction
Nardono Nimpuno & Jerker Ligthart, International Chemical Secretariat, Sweden
- 12.45 Panel Q & A
- 13.00 LUNCH
- 14.15 Developing a better understanding of the EU's implementation of GHS
Jytte Syska, 3E Company Europe ApS, Denmark
- 14.45 Alloys and REACH – implications for the supply chain
William Wilson, Burges Salmon LLP, UK
- 15.15 Guidance on articles
Jo Lloyd, REACHReady, UK
- 15.45 Panel Q & A
- 16.00 COFFEE
- 16.30 Case study: Is REACH a business risk or an opportunity?
Andy Page, Rolls-Royce plc, UK
- 17.00 Case study: The CMS model: a partnership for REACH compliance
Jill Kauffman Johnson, Chemical Strategies Partnership, USA
- 17.30 Panel Q & A
- 17.45 END OF CONFERENCE

Please note: The conference organisers reserve the right to change or modify the programme if necessary.

