

# REACH

## Registration and Beyond: Exposure Scenarios and safe handling advice

2<sup>nd</sup> European Conference and Workshop  
30 Sept – 1 Oct 2009

Husa President Park Hotel, Boulevard du Roi Albert 11, 44-1000, Brussels



### Who should attend?

Anyone with an interest in the development and implementation of **Exposure Scenarios** and **safe handling advice for workers** for REACH substance registration dossiers:

- **occupational hygienists**
- **company REACH implementation managers**
- **regulators**
- **worker representatives for health and safety**
- **other chemical risk assessment professionals**

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Presented by BOHS (UK) and NVVA (NL) in collaboration with the occupational hygiene associations of Finland, Germany, Italy, Norway, Poland and Switzerland.



REACH (Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals), the European chemicals control legislation, has been in force since 2007. REACH has wide-ranging impacts on chemical safety in all product life cycle stages, as it demands that all manufacture and use of chemical substances is demonstrably safe for humans and the environment. REACH requires communication of *Exposure Scenarios* in the chemicals supply chain, and implementation by Downstream User companies of safe working advice from Manufacturers and Importers.

In December 2005 the British Occupational Hygiene Society (BOHS) held a first European conference in the build-up to REACH. This second European conference will address a number of practical issues relevant to registration and beyond, such as:

- **expectations for quantitative exposure assessments in REACH chemical safety assessment;**
- **exchange of REACH initiatives available from European occupational hygiene associations;**
- **review of latest tools to support development and application of Exposure Scenarios, including new initiatives to standardise information exchanges in the supply chain;**
- **quantifying the efficiency of Risk Management Measures;**
- **clarifying the relationship between DNELs and OELs;**
- **issues around skin absorption;**

As REACH applies uniformly across the EU, the national occupational hygiene associations will use this opportunity to strengthen their collaboration, thereby advancing the quality of occupational hygiene advice available to individuals and companies working with chemical substances across Europe.

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## **Programme**

### **Day 1**

**9.30-10.30**

**Registration/Coffee**

**10.30-10.40**

**Opening**

Roger Alesbury, BOHS President

#### **Session 1 – Context and Perspectives**

**10.40-11.05**

**European trade union perspective on REACH and benefit for worker health and safety**

Representative of European Trade Union Institute for Research, Education and Health and Safety

**11.05-11.30**

**REACH and Occupational Health interface**

A. Morris, European Commission Directorate-General for Employment

**11.30-12.00**

**Member State perspective**

Representative of European Member State Competent Authority for REACH

**12.00-12.30**

**Exposure Scenarios in the Chemical Safety Report and CSA Tool**

A. Ahrens, European Chemicals Agency (ECHA)

**12.30-13.30**

**Lunch Break**

#### **Session 2 - Practical aspects of Exposure Scenario development**

**13.30-14.00**

**Industry initiatives to facilitate the development of Exposure Scenarios**

K. Hommes (LyondellBasell) on behalf of European Chemical Industry Council CEFIC

**14.00-14.30**

**Developing Exposure Scenarios for Preparations**

S. Hausmann, Fuchs

**14.30-15.00**

**Using Exposure Scenarios to improve Workplace Health Risk Assessments**

Facilitated discussion

**15.00-15.30**

**Coffee Break**

#### **Session 3 - Derived No Effect Levels**

**15.30-17.30**

**Roundtable on derived no-effect levels for inhalation and dermal (DNELs); introductions by practitioners from industry and authorities**

Introduction - Can DNELs replace OELs? – J. Gromiec (Nofer Institute)

Introduction - Dermal DNELs, what do they represent? – G. Minsavage (Concawe)

Discussion facilitated by a member of the European Scientific Committee on Occupational Exposure Limits

**17.30-18.00**

**Invited Lecture**

**Evidence of exposure level differences between EU member states**

Prof. H. Kromhout, Utrecht University

**18.00-19.00**

**Cocktails**

