# How to build a link between existing risk management advice and REACH exposure scenarios?

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# Agenda

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#### **Initial Situation**

CSR/ES Roadmap action 2.3:
 Connecting existing risk management measure (RMM) packages

for worker exposure to REACH CSA



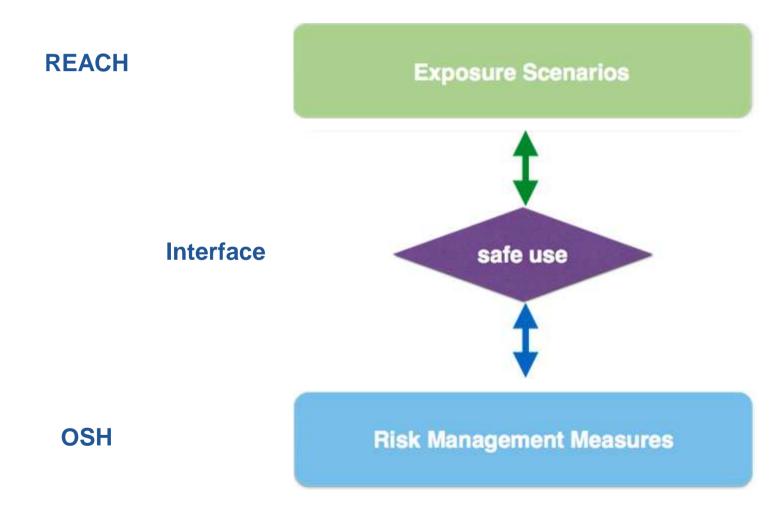
#### – BAuA project:

How to build a link between existing risk management advice and REACH exposure scenarios?

- Timeline:
  - Kick-off meeting 3 July 2014,
  - project planned for six months



# **Objectives**





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- Exposure Scenarios (ES) and Risk Management Measures (RMM) both describe "safe use"
- Different target audiences:
  - ES: downstream user, often formulators
  - RMM: end user, employers, often not chemicals sector
- Different methods:
  - ES: structured approach as defined by REACH
  - RMM: highly diverse (many are "pre-REACH")



### **Approach of Project**

#### – Project Step 1:

Identification and characterization of existing RMM packages for worker exposure in Europe (sector/ task/ product specific safe use information)

#### – Project Step 2:

Detailed analysis of assorted RMM packages

#### – Project Step 3:

Matching of assorted RMM packages to ES



# **Approach of Project**

- Project Steps 1 + 2:
  - → Laying the basis for an interface between ES and RMM
- Project Step 3:
  - → Defining and applying the interface



#### **Activities**

#### – Project Step 1:

- Definition of criteria describing the <u>macro structure</u> of RMM packages
- Structural analysis of 21 RMM packages containing more than 700 single guidance documents:
  - HSE COSHH Essentials, ILO Guidance Sheets,
     BAuA EMKG Control Guidance Sheets
  - 11 RMM packages by social accident insurance institutions
  - 2 Generic Exposure Scenarios (ESIG, AISE)
  - "process- and substance-specific criteria" based on TRGS 420



#### **Activities**

- Project Step 2:
  - Definition of <u>parameters describing the content</u> of RMM documents
  - Detailed analysis of RMM documents
    - HSE COSHH Essentials (partially), BAuA EMKG Control Guidance Sheets (partially)
    - 11 RMM packages by social accident insurance institutions
    - 2 Generic Exposure Scenarios (ESIG, AISE)
    - "process- and substance-specific criteria" based on TRGS 420
  - Participation request to ENES community ("self assessment")



#### Status of Project – Activities completed

- Project status
  - RMM packages have been researched
  - Criteria and parameters have been defined
  - Structural analyses are finished
  - Analyses of contents are finished
  - Some ENES members have responded

Project Steps 1 and 2: completed

Project Step 3: in progress



#### **Results of Project Step 1: Structure**

#### **Criteria for macro - structural analysis (examples)**

– Who created the guidance documents?

– Where to apply the guidance documents?

– How extensive are the guidance documents?

– Standardised documents?

– Authoritative documents?

– Exposure data considered explicitly?

– User support available?



#### Results of Project Step 1:Structure

#### Full set of criteria for macro - structure

Field Explanation

# Number from one to ...

Author/Editor organisation/institution, abbrevia

Author/Editor organisation/institution, abbreviation where necessary (indicate in sheet "Abbreviations")

Source web address or literature

Language/s Name the languages in which the guidance system is available

Public "X" = Yes. Is the source accessible publicly or, e.g. members only?, "(X)"=not all documents

**Users** If not public, who are the users?

Industry Industrial sector, which is addressed by the guidance system

**Operation** Indicate relevant operation if any

Quantity Number of singular guidances within this guidance system

Page number Number of pages of a single guidance (if variable indicate min, max, avg)

standardized "X" = Yes, Is the guidance system homogenous in it's structure?

Variability Blank = "None", if previous field contains "X"; else: ",1": low/rare variations, ",2": high/frequent variations

**Authoritative** Is this guidance legally binding, e.g. by law or by employer's liability insurance coverage

Exposure relevant? "X" = Yes. Height of exposure is at least mentioned as a qualitative criterion for RMM selection, "(X)"=in some documents

Measured Values "X" = Yes. Exposuremeasurements are criteria for RMM selection, "(X)"=in some documents

Modelling "x" = Yes. Model results are criteria for RMM selection, "(X)"=in some documents

Type of model Name the relevant exposure model, leave blank if not relevant, if no information is given use "not specified"

Range "X" = Yes. Exposure must be given as a range of values, which is the criterion for RMM selection, "(X)"=in some documents

Value "X" = Yes. Exposure must be given as a single threshold value or limit, which is the criterion for RMM selection, "(X)"=in some documents

Qualitatively "X" = Yes. Exposure is defined as a quality, e.g. "low"/"medium"/"high", which is the criterion for RMM selection, "(X)"=in some documents

Help available "X" = Yes. There is help, supplementary documentation, or other kinds of support available to facilitate usage of this guidance, "(X)"=for some documents

Type of help e.g., "Text", "Video", Trainings", "worked examples", ...

Source of help web address or literature



## **Results of Project Step 1: Structure**

- RMM packages have been developed by diverse branches (construction, chemistry, energy, textile, print, ...)
  - → However, many of them are "branch agnostic"
- RMM packages vary strongly with regard to volume and/or standardisation
- The following RMM packages are standardised and compact:
  - BAuA CGS, COSHH Essentials, ILO Guidance Sheets,
     AISE GEIS, ESIG GES, GISBAU (GISCODE)
- Nearly all RMM packages are public and available for free



## Results of Project Step 1: Structure

- RMM packages can be divided in two groups
  - Group 1
    - Several exposure situations covered by one document
      - several sets of measures per document
      - selection criteria within document
    - RMM packages by social accident insurance institutions, Generic Exposure Scenarios, "process- and substancespecific criteria"



# Results of Project Step 1:Structure

- Group 2
  - One exposure situation covered by one document
    - one set of measures per document
    - selection criteria outside document
    - → Documents of group 2 do not contain exposure data!
      - the "target exposure level" is selected before the RMM-package is chosen
  - COSHH Essentials, ILO Guidelines, BAuA EMKG CGS, BG BAU "GISCODE Documents"

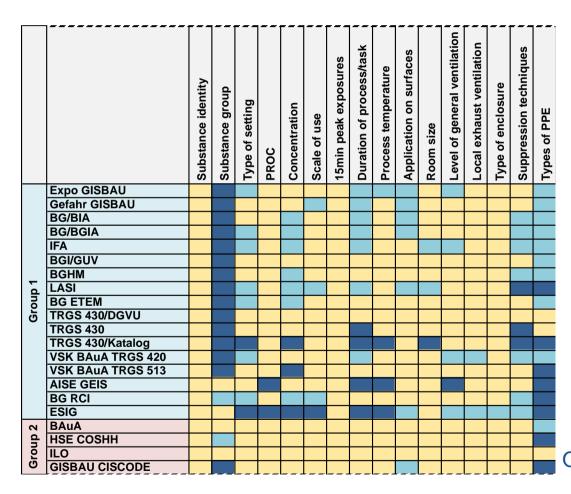


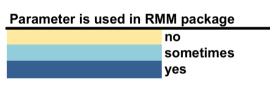
## **Results of Project Step 2: Content**

- Parameter selection for content analysis
  - Parameter selection was based on input requirements of tier-1-models.
  - The following parameters were selected:
    - substance identity/group, type of setting, PROC, concentration, scale of use, frequency of peak exposures, duration, process temperature, application on surfaces, room size, ventilation, LEV, enclosure, suppression techniques, PPE
  - Core question (for each document): Are proposed measures explicitly related to these parameters?



# Results of Project Step 2:Content



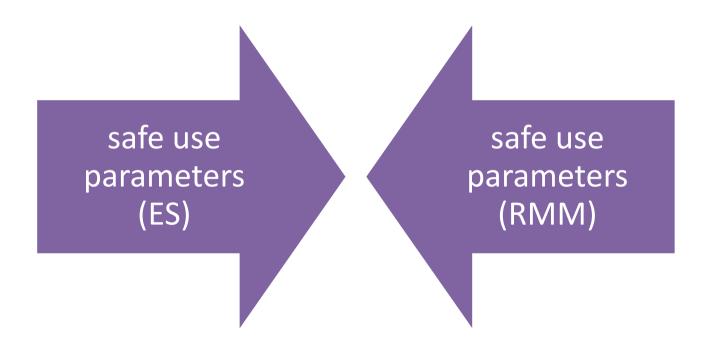


Overview content analysis



# Outlook: Project Step 3: Matching

Core Task: Translation of "safe use" descriptions





# Outlook: Project Step 3: Matching

#### Starting point: Exposure Scenarios

#### 3.1 FORMAT AND CONTENT OF EXPOSURE SCENARIOS

The agreed format of the exposure scenario consists of 4 sections:

- 1. Title section
- 2. Conditions of use affecting exposure



- 3. Exposure estimation and reference to its source
- 4. Guidance to DU to evaluate whether he works inside the boundaries set by the ES

From: An illustrative example of the exposure scenarios to be annexed to the safety data sheet. Part 1: Introductory Note



# Outlook: Project Step 3: Matching

- Open Tasks
  - Evaluation of RMM packages
    - Can RMM packages be matched to ES with reasonable effort?
  - Retrieval of scenario characteristics from RMM documents
    - PROC, SU, PC
    - product characteristics
    - amount used, duration of task, ...
    - process conditions ...



# Thank you for your attention!

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