

**Member of the**  
**Forum for Exchange of Information on Enforcement**

**1. General Information:**

Name (FAMILY NAME, First Name): **TCHOBANOVA, Elena**

Ms /  Mr

Appointed by (MS/Forum): **Ministry of Environment and Water, Bulgaria**

Nationality: **Bulgarian**

**2. Education:**

**Chemical Engineer**

**3. Relevant Employment**

<b>Present employment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Ministry of Environment and Water, Bulgaria</b> (since 2013) State expert at the "Integrated Permits and Hazardous Substances" Department; "Strategic Environmental Assessment, Environmental Impact Assessment and Pollution Prevention" Directorate.</li></ul>
<b>Previous (relevant) employment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Intera-X Ltd, Bulgaria</b> (2008–2013) Consultation and activities in the field of medical devices and medicinal products.</li><li>• <b>Ministry of health</b> (2010–2012) Consultation and activities in the field of medical devices.</li><li>• <b>Bulgarian Drug Agency</b> (1993–2008) Activities in the field of medical devices.</li></ul>

**4. Relevant fields of in-depth expertise:**

<b>Area of expertise</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>National and EU chemical legislation</b>	Knowledge on the chemicals-related legislation and participation in tasks of the REACH Competent authority and REACH Helpdesk in Bulgaria: implementation and enforcement of the legislation and related multilateral agreements (SAICM). Participation in projects in the field of chemicals management (REF FORUM projects); Mercury Regulation and Minamata Convention. Provision of advice and information to the industry and Regional Inspectorates of Environment and Water (RIEWs).
<b>Medical devices Directives</b>	Knowledge on the EU legislation regarding medical devices and medicinal products. Transposition of MDD, IVDMD, AIMD into national legislation. Participation in the development of methodology for the establishment of a positive list of medical devices in Bulgaria.

**5. Membership of relevant professional bodies:**

- Member of the Expert Council on substance evaluation under the Minister of Environment and Water, Bulgaria.
- Working Party on International Environment Issues (International Chemicals) to the Council of the European Union.

**6. Other Relevant Information:**