

Exchange Network on Exposure Scenarios, ENES10

15-16 November 2016, Helsinki

Day 2, 16th November

The overall theme of Day 2 is to learn about the findings of the CSR/ES Roadmap and ENES evaluations and to convert these learnings into a future plan of actions.

As part of this exercise, parallel **Breakout sessions** are planned for Session 2: *Towards good quality information on the safe use of chemicals: Evaluation of the CSR/ES Roadmap and ENES*.

Background and Objective

These **facilitated** "breakout sessions" aim to pick up *the action areas* from the CSR/ES Roadmap evaluation in order to collect concrete ideas for the future way forward. At the same time the conclusion from the January 2016 *Workshop on REACH(ing) the WSSD 2020 goals* and the conclusions from the Accredited Stakeholder Organisations workshop on 21.10.2016 are to be taken into account.

WSSD2020

In respect of WSSD 2020, ECHA published [conclusions](#) from the January 2016 Workshop with stakeholders, which put a focus on "implementation" and reaching the WSSD 2020 goals for supply chain communication.

Beneath is an extract taken from a document discussed with Accredited Stakeholder Organisations at the one day Workshop on 24/10/2016.

Effective communication takes place about the safe use of chemicals up and down the supply chain

- a) Information about substances flows smoothly and effectively up and down the supply chain. Companies who use chemicals inform their suppliers about what they do; and in return, manufacturers and importers provide information on how to use them safely.

	Measures for implementation
	ECHA, Member States, and industry associations keep supporting registrants and downstream users to adopt the methods, tools and standardised formats (such as use maps) developed under the CSA roadmap. Registrants and companies further in the supply chain use these tools widely.
	ECHA continues to promote the communication and sharing of information among industry and between industry and authorities on the effective implementation of exposure scenarios as a novel communication vehicle that also serves different EU environmental and health legislation.

What is envisaged is an extension to the current Roadmap and ENES into a continued coherent programme to 2020 which then serves to complete the successful implementation of the Roadmap, with the aim to i) contribute to the European goals under the WSSD on supply chain communication, and (ii) to support the immediate needs of European industry in meeting obligations for the REACH 2018 deadline.

Setting for ENES10 breakout session 2

Beneath is a description of the 2 Themes to be examined in the breakout session.
For responding to these questions you may want to reflect on the following:

- Why are you (or your organisation) interested/acting/ready to act; and
- Why others are not (Member States, registrants, downstream users)? What are the arguments that you've heard?

Note: There will be no report back by PowerPoint slides after these Breakout sessions; each breakout session will have a rapporteur that will present the key points in a Panel session that follows the breakout session.

Theme 1: Engagement and implementation: broadening the community of movers.

Purpose: So far awareness and understanding on the available tools/methods and readiness to implement them is largely limited to the ENES community itself. The discussion under Theme 1 aims to collect ideas for targeted action to broaden engagement and implementation. Attention should be directed to those not engaged in ENES or which are slow adopters of the tools/methods.

Note: Non-movers are either (i) not aware, (ii) do not understand, (iii) are not convinced about the benefits, (iv) depend on inputs from other actors who do not act, (v) do not know how to start, or (vi) they have other priorities.

Session format:

Three (3) parallel groups: To be determined whether mixed or homogenous roles under REACH (registrants, downstream users, authorities) in each group.

Dynamic facilitation to identify 5-10 priority actions (and the corresponding actors) for ENES for the period 2017-2020.

Session input: Roadmap infographic (poster size).

QUESTIONS

1) Raising awareness: What are the realistic options for raising awareness among Member States / registrants / downstream users on the solutions available?

E.g.

- How to make sure that the different actors are aware and have understood what is available?
- Would more communication about the tools in national language help?
- How can other initiatives (e.g. Roadmap 2018) contribute to awareness raising?

2) Being convinced: How to convince the non-moving actors?

E.g.

- How to identify and communicate on the benefits, the role of early adopters?
- How can the experience of the "early adopters" be used to best effect to convince others?
- What can the "front runners/early adopters" do to promote the tools and methods to others?
- How can we develop the examples to demonstrate the benefits and feasibility?
- How to organise peer review(s) to promote confidence in the output of the

suite of (Roadmap) tools? Which tools require more confidence in order to concentrate on? How is "confidence" achieved – what will it look like?

3) Getting started: What are the tasks to be done, by whom and what are the foreseen obstacles and how to overcome them?

E.g.

- How to practically support those who want to move and use the solutions available?



Theme 2: Connecting work place risk assessment (under OSH) with REACH exposure scenarios.

Purpose: To better understand the (information) needs (in terms of content and language) of an occupational health and safety manager to do a workplace risk assessment; identify potential development needs beyond the currently available ENES tools.

Note: For ENES10 we focus on workers' health and safety; analogous work is needed for i) environmental site managers and ii) product safety managers (mixtures/articles for professionals and consumers).

Session input: Short presentation, setting out basic elements required for a proper workplace assessment (on chemicals).

Session format:

Two (2) parallel groups: mixed roles.

Dynamic facilitation to identify potential development areas to meet the needs of the different end-user groups (for ENES to act on for the period 2017-2020).

Working hypothesis: One may differentiate among 3 types of companies at end-use level:

- 1) (Large) Companies that manage their supply chain from the bottom (production of complex articles), including composition/safety of products supplied to them and aspects of workplace conditions upstream (e.g. automotive industry, strong textile brands).
- 2) Other large downstream end users of chemicals that are well resourced to assess and manage their on-site risks.
- 3) "Other companies" that depend on external support for assessing the risk at the workplace and to determine how to use the chemicals safely. Potentially this group needs to be differentiated again between SME and micro-companies.

QUESTIONS

1. What are the practical needs of employers/OSH managers in terms of (safe use information)? How can the needs of the different end-user groups be better characterized in this respect?
2. What information employers/OSH managers potentially get from a REACH exposure scenario for communication? How can the Roadmap tools (or the way in using them) be adapted to better meet the information needs?

