



Closing remarks

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Compliance – taking home

- Improved & more systematic **priority setting**
 - Focus on grouping, improved consistency & transparency
 - Still hampered by unreliable & lack of data
- Compliant data is foundation for the safe use
- About **25 %** of substances over 1000 tpa checked, but need to intensify the work
 - **Industry** actions and commitments ramping up
 - Industry expects clarity on what is needed to comply
 - Concerns from **NGO's** – confidence in the system, call for more transparency
- **Next step:** ECHA-Commission action plan to improve compliance published over the summer



Substances of concern – taking home

- Considerable experience gathered on restriction and authorisation over 10 years
 - Have lead to both substitution and reduced exposure
- Concerns about **efficiency** and **workability** of the process remain – **improvements ongoing**
 - Including enforceability and practical enforcement
- High profile dossier on **microplastics** in the process
 - Breaking new ground – industry calls for clarity
 - Your contribution needed - it can make a difference
- Active communication and promotion about **substitution** still needed
 - Move from reactive to proactive innovation
- **Next steps:**
 - Integrated approach, priority setting and grouping, evaluation to feed in cases for risk management
 - Analysis of the recent AfA court case ongoing





Safe use – taking home

- Safe use – essence of REACH and CLP!
 - Long standing cooperation between authorities and industry on methods and tools
 - Implementation of REACH Review actions ongoing
 - Make sure investment in dossier compliance is also capitalised for supply chain communication
 - Circular economy – increased use of secondary raw materials
- Synergies and efficiencies via cooperation
 - Reaching out for wider audiences, incl SMEs
- **Next steps:**
 - Improved integration between processes and players
 - Further clarifying chemicals/products/waste interface
 - ECHA 'SCIP database' under waste framework directive



- ECHA strategic priorities 2019-2023...
- ... contribute to meeting the sustainable development goals





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