

## CSR/ES Roadmap Progress Report Q3/2013-Q1/2014

### Background

The [CSR/ES Roadmap](#) was published on 17 July 2013 with an accompanying [implementation plan](#) for the period of Q3/2013-Q1/2014. This report summarises the main events and outcomes of the CSR/ES Roadmap during that time.

### Main achievements

#### *CSR/ES Roadmap governance*

During the first months, 14 industry associations, three MSCAs and ECHA signed the Roadmap Charter, making their support to the activity visible. For the sake of efficiency, the ENES and the CSR/ES Roadmap Coordination Groups were merged. In autumn 2013 Denmark and Spain stepped down from the Coordination Group and Finland joined it.

#### *Actions related to improving the CSR*

The main focus was to improve understanding among authorities and industry on the CSR elements that should be presented in a structured format in IUCLID. To this end, [a workshop](#) was organised by ECHA in October. Information identified as crucial for the functioning of the REACH processes is now being taken forward in the further development of user requirements for IUCLID 6.1 and Chesar 3 in 2014 (release of the updated tools expected in early 2016)

#### *Actions related to improving exposure scenarios*

#### SCEDs

The working group organised [a workshop](#) in November to explain the SCED approach to industry and authorities. The concept was supported, but the participants also recognised a number of items where further work is needed. The industry group aim to publish guidance on SCEDs and a number of illustrative examples in 2014. Chesar 2.3 will support the creation and use of SCEDs. Thus the basis for testing and implementing the concept at a broader scale is available now.

#### ESCom project

The work on ESCom project has started. The governance structure for the ESCom project until the end 2015 was solidified by a Memorandum of Understanding. This concerned the overall project management, standard phrase development and an IT providers' agreement on the XML format development.

#### Exposure scenario short titles for communication

The working group on exposure scenario (ES) short titles for communication held [a workshop](#) in September to discuss the principles for building such short titles. As a result, the group was able to present an agreed model for constructing ES short titles for communication to ENES5. The model is being tested at a larger scale by 14 volunteers in early 2014 with a view to have the guidelines finalised for ENES6 in May 2014.

#### Information on safe use of mixtures

The working group on mixtures collected and analysed some 15 different methodologies used or being developed by various industry sectors to compile information on safe use of mixtures. The group was able to demonstrate that the methods fall into two basic categories: those which compare the existing safe use information of a mixture against the conditions of use in the substance exposure scenarios they receive (the "bottom-up" approach), and those which identify the risk-driving substances in the mixture and use the exposure scenarios of these substances as a starting point (the "top-down" approach).

### **Communication on the progress**

The summary reports of the individual workshops are linked above. In addition, all items were presented in [ENES5](#) and reviewed in the December edition of ECHA's Newsletter.

### **Next steps**

The consolidation of the on-going activities around the REACH exposure scenario and chemical safety report into one document, the CSR/ES Roadmap, provided a common orientation for all actors on the necessary actions and their timing. It was recognised that the progress in this area is currently fast, and frequent review of the direction is warranted. The Roadmap Coordination group will look for synergy and efficiency gains in implementing the many actions foreseen for 2014, review which actions are critical, and which actions can be postponed or reduced in scope for the time being.

The CSR/ES Roadmap-ENES Coordination Group has reviewed the progress made on the first implementation plan together with the actions foreseen to take place in 2014 and will prepare a second implementation plan for publication in early 2014. This plan will set out the priority actions for 2014-2015, the activities foreseen and lead organisations in order to achieve the Roadmap's objectives.