

PUBLICATION OF A CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IN THE APPOINTMENT AS CHAIRMAN AND AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF APPEAL OF THE EUROPEAN CHEMICALS AGENCY, OR THEIR ALTERNATES OR ADDITIONAL MEMBERS AND THEIR ALTERNATES. (15 February 2008)

The European Chemicals Agency was established by Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 18 December 2006 concerning the Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH), establishing a European Chemicals Agency, amending Directive 1999/45/EC and repealing Council Regulation (EEC) No 793/93 and Commission Regulation (EC) No 1488/94 as well as Council Directive 76/769/EEC and Commission Directives 91/155/EEC, 93/67/EEC, 93/105/EC and 2000/21/EC.

The Agency has its seat in Helsinki, Finland.

Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, which entered into force on 1 June 2007, establishes a new regulatory framework for chemical substances in the European Union. The Agency established under the Regulation is responsible for managing technical, scientific and administrative aspects of REACH, and ensuring consistency in its application. It will provide the Member States and the EU institutions with the best possible scientific and technical advice on REACH related chemicals issues.

Articles 89 to 94 of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 set out the relevant provisions in relation to appeals. Article 89 provides for the establishment of a Board of Appeal. The Board is responsible for deciding on appeals against certain individual decisions of the Agency, as defined in Article 91 of the above mentioned Regulation.

The Board of Appeal consists of a Chairman and two other members. They shall have alternates who shall represent them in their absence. The qualifications of the Chairman and the members are defined in Commission Regulation (EC) No 1238/2007 of 23 October 2007 on laying down rules on qualifications of the members of the Board of Appeal of the European Chemicals Agency. According to this Commission Regulation, the Board of Appeal shall consist of technically and legally qualified members.

The Chairman and the other members of the Board of Appeal shall be independent. In making their decisions, they shall not be bound by any instructions. They shall not perform any other duties in the Agency.

Under the terms of Regulation (EC) No 1907/2006, the Management Board will decide on the appointment of the members and their alternates on the basis of a list of qualified candidates proposed by the Commission. It is also foreseen in the Regulation that the Management Board may appoint additional members and their alternates on the recommendation of the Executive Director if this is necessary to ensure that the appeals can be processed at a satisfactory rate. The purpose of this call for expression of interest is to allow the Commission to select the persons it will propose to the Management Board.

For full information, you will find the vacancy notices and application forms at the following addresses:

[Official Journal publication of 15 February 2008](#)

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Closing date for submission of applications is 14 March 2008.