

Promoting data quality through dialogue

Workshop on Substance Brief Profiles

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Context

- Increased interest toward information on chemicals due to ICBP's user friendliness and readability;
- Aggregation of information highlights inconsistencies;
- Likely to result in an increase call for information's quality improvement;
- If no actions are taken to address the needs and concerns of stakeholders, trust in the safe use of chemicals could be undermined.



Existing tools

- Comments can be provided by third parties / data providers to ECHA (through Pre-registered substance page (REACH Art. 41(6))
- Co-Registrants contact details available in REACH-IT
- C&L Platform available to discuss the classification and labelling

These tools address specific concerns and needs and would not be efficient ways to communicate issues in context of brief profiles.



New communication channel

- A solution could be to enable a platform that facilitates a direct communication channel between third parties and registrants / notifiers monitored by ECHA (applying some level of moderation).
- This would constitute a more efficient channel for information flow, thus also promoting data quality improvement.
- The need for a new communication channel was also emphasised during the previous workshop on Brief Profiles.

Approach

What issues could be considered

Structured dialogue Features and Functionalities





Structured dialogue

- Interactive webforms with right questions and minimum information requirements to promote relevant contributions
 - Structuring the feedback would also facilitate processing of information and increase efficiency



Example

+ Safety Classification and Labelling

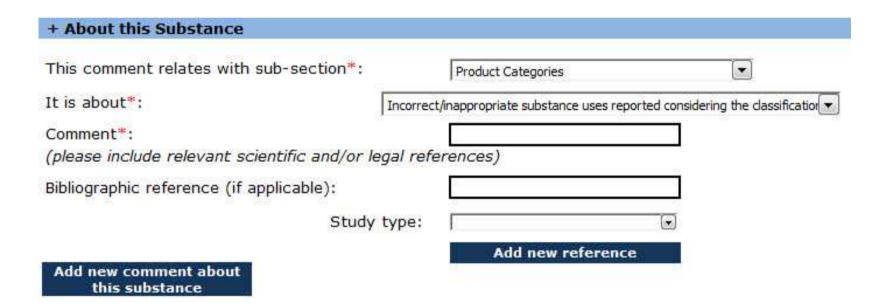
- select Classification inconsistent with scientific data available in dossiers
Incomplete information about the C&L
Inconsistent information about the C&L
Incorrect information about the classification and/or labelling
I have relevant scientific information about the substance

There is relevant scientific public information about the substance

This comment is about*:	- select -		
In case of "Classification inconsistent with scientif		ossier", please indicate:	
Classification in question*:	- select -		
Name of scientific section in dossier*:	- select -		
Comment*:	comment inserted here		
Should other classification be proposed*?	- select -		
If yes, please provide further details: Proposed classification*:	- select -		
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Based on the endpoint:	- select -		
Study result type:	- select -		
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(Value/conclusion and reference to registered dos	ssier or to an externa	l source)	
Bibliographic reference (if applicable):	ĵ <u>u</u>		
Study type:	- select -		
	Add new refer	ence	
Add new comment on safety C&L	China Carlo Carlo		



Examples





Examples

Environmental fate and Pathways		
There is relevant scientific public information about the substar		
Bioaccumulation: terrestrial		
comment inserted here		
erences)		
peer-reviewed literature		
Add new reference		
	There is relevant scientific public information about the Bioaccumulation: terrestrial comment inserted here erences) peer-reviewed literature	



Features and functionalities to consider

The solution to implement should be simple.

Things to observe:

- Registration what is required to submit a comment?
- Notification how should a comment be notified?
- Publication Where and how should comments be published?
 And replies?
- Anonymity contact details confidential



Advantages of an improved communication channel

- More efficient exchange of information and informal communication on data inconsistencies / incompleteness;
- Improved visibility and trust by society (openness);
- Increased knowledge on substances (up-to-date research data put aware easily).



leading to an improvement of data quality



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