

Welcome

ECHA's Second Stakeholders Day

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We have important work to do

- Thank you for taking the time to join us
 - REACH has ambitious aims, worth striving for
 - Protecting human health
 - Protecting the environment
 - Promoting alternative test methods
 - Enhancing innovation & competitiveness
 - Strengthening the internal market
 - Reaping the benefits of safely useable chemicals
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We need to work together



So many partners in making REACH as success,
each acting with different roles:

- Manufacturers
 - Importers
 - Downstream users
 - Citizens
 - Member State Competent Authorities
 - European Commission
 - ECHA – also as coordinator
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ECHA's eligible stakeholders



- Now have 45 (and 45 non-eligible)
 - Industry associations including SMEs
 - Consumer groups
 - Environmental groups
 - Health based and women's organisations
 - Animal welfare organisations
 - Workers representatives
 - Scientific representatives
 - Play a crucial role in our work
 - Always open for new organisations
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The next challenge - SIEFs

- Substance Information Exchange Fora
 - Crucial to the success of REACH
 - Essential if we are to minimise unnecessary testing and costs to industry
 - Getting started is a challenge and is urgent
 - ECHA is doing what we can but industry to lead
 - New awareness campaign starts today “the clock is ticking... form your SIEF now”
 - Banner on homepage & [new web section](#)
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Today's agenda



3 topics

- Registration process
- Preparation of registration dossiers
- Public consultation

The SIEFs theme runs through all sessions

Longer Q&A sessions than last time

Mix of presentations from ECHA and stakeholders

In the margins.....

- Information desks
 - ECHA info
 - Data submission
 - Helpdesk and guidance
 - Only representatives
 - ECHA website
 - Evaluation in your pack
 - User testing – web team will approach you for your participation in a test. Please volunteer if you're keen
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Today is important for us

- We want to hear your views
 - You can raise your concerns and priorities
 - We try to explain why we do things in the way that we do
 - We can all network
 - We all get to put faces to names
 - And at the end of the day's work, you can meet more of ECHA's staff
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Thank you once again for joining us here today.

I hope that we have an excellent and productive day.

Remember – the clock is ticking.....
