

Closing remarks

ECHA's Second Stakeholders Day

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Thank you for joining us



- In the room today are 276 delegates
 - 246 from the EU, 30 from non EU
 - 183 from companies, 100 large, 83 SMEs
 - 45 Associations (some companies here too)
 - 37 Organisations
 - 33 countries, 18 EU and 15 non EU (Norway, Ukraine, USA, China, Egypt, India, Israel, Japan, Korea, Namibia, Oman, Russia, Serbia, South Africa, Switzerland)
 - 28 journalists
 - And online, 270 connections to the webstream
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Thank you for your input

- Your comments and reflections
 - Challenging questions – we welcome them
 - Spreading the word about the ticking clock – first media coverage is already out!

 - Special thanks to stakeholders who spoke today
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Our mutual aims

- SIEFs formed and Lead Registrants nominated by end summer 09
 - Early submission from Lead Registrants of high quality dossiers so that subsequent registrants have a complete dossier to refer to
 - Submission of all dossiers before the deadline
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The "clock is ticking campaign"

- Three elements
 - Trying to remove the barriers to effective SIEF working that many of you have identified
 - Raising awareness of the urgency of the need for action
 - Supporting Lead Registrants
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Removing the barriers

- Clear lines and guidance on key issues like
 - Opt outs
 - Non standard information
 - Timing and payment of Lead Registrant submissions
 - Roles and responsibilities of Lead Registrants
 - Translation of key materials
 - SIEF webpages
 - SIEF top tips
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Raising awareness of the urgency

- The "clock is ticking" banner on websites:
 - EU and national trade associations
 - National help desks
 - European Commission
 - Chemical media
 - Link to more information like ECHA website
 - Direct e mail to pre-registrants with 2010 deadline via REACH IT with link to website
 - PR case studies of best practice
 - Contact ECHA press if you want to help
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Supporting Lead Registrants



- Firstly, we need to know who they are!
http://www.echa.europa.eu/sief/lead_registrants_en.asp
 - Then, for Lead Registrants
 - Monthly webinars
 - Seminar in Autumn 09
 - Looking into offering a more personalised Help Desk service
 - Looking into creating a specialised online discussion platform
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Messages that we've heard

- We need to remember that many of you are working hard and share our sense of urgency
 - Many of you are worried about the Registration process and how to manage your responsibilities effectively and in time
 - You need us to help you by being as clear and precise as we can be and we need you to help us by continuing to raise issues, suggesting ways forward and letting us know about best practice
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Challenges that you have raised for us

- Economic crisis:
 - Deadlines
 - Level of fees
 - Registration times for Lead Registrants in REACH IT and the subsequent impact on other registrants
 - Specific challenges for non EU producers and importers
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And more challenges..

- TCC tool timing and guarantees
 - ECHA's support via guidance and the Help Desk
 - Monitoring of rejection rate
 - REACH IT
 - MS and Commission to consider which substances go to the Candidate List
 - How we can best involve downstream users in our activities
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And finally

- Webstream is still viewable online until 27 June
 - All slides uploaded on the website tomorrow
 - We hope that you can stay to say hello to more ECHA staff who are here to talk to you
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Thank you
for your hard work and commitment
to applying REACH

and have a safe journey home

