

# THIRD PARTY REPRESENTATIVE

Are you prepared for participation in the Substance Information Exchange Forum? Understand your obligations and find simple and effective solutions. Utilise SGS as your Third Party Representative in the Substance Information Exchange Forum for extensive chemical experience, design of strategic roadmap, technical guidance for registration and ensuring your organisation is best prepared for REACH.



# **BUILD YOUR SIEF SUPPORT NETWORK**

#### **PARTICIPATION IN SIEF**

Under the pre-registration process of REACH (the Regulation for Registration, Evaluation, Authorisation and Restriction of Chemicals), manufacturers and importers of substances, preparations and intentionally released substances from articles are able to benefit from the formation of a Substance Information Exchange Forum, or SIEF, to share relevant and available data among all Potential Registrants of the same phase-in substance.

Participation in SIEF allows you to:

- React to requests from other participants;
- Provide other participants with "proof of cost" and give access to existing studies upon request;
- Request missing information from other SIEF participants;
- · Agree on cost sharing mechanisms;
- Receive financial compensation for data shared;
- Collectively identify need for further studies;
- Make arrangements to perform the identified studies;
- · Agree on classification and labelling;
- Agree on the appointment of the Lead Registrant;
- Agree on the selection of studies to be included in the joint submission; and
- Submit joint registration.

## THIRD PARTY REPRESENTATIVE

According to REACH, any manufacturer, importer or downstream user may, whilst retaining full responsibility for complying with his obligations under this regulation, appoint a third party representative for all proceedings listed above.

If appointed at pre-registration, the identity of the manufacturer or importer shall not be disclosed by the European Chemicals Agency to other parties, thus allowing confidentiality of business information during SIEF proceedings.

#### **APPOINT YOUR REPRESENTATIVE**

Being of part of SIEF brings both legal obligations and decision-making rights. For many in the consumer product supply chain, REACH conformity means balancing compliance activities with cost-effective solutions.

As your Third Party Representative, SGS will:

- Collect all the data available by the registrant;
- Agree on the form of cooperation and cost sharing mechanisms;
- Evaluate the quality of the data collected;
- Consider the information requirements of the tonnage band;
- · Identify data gaps;
- Establish strategic approach based on: cost of sharing versus cost of own test or system; and cost of substitution substances;
- Participate in the generation of new information (study monitoring) and testing proposals; and
- Classify the substance in accordance with EU criteria.

#### WHAT'S NEXT?

SGS can assist in the preparation and submission of the technical dossier and the Chemical Safety Report as required by Registration.

Once you have submitted your registration dossier within the requested deadline, SGS will continue to share data with the other members in the SIEF as necessary up to 2018.

#### WHY SGS?

Our REACH Global Competence Centre consists of a dedicated team of technical REACH experts from the consumer products industry in the fields of substance identification, restricted substance analysis and supply chain management, as well as toxicological and eco-toxicological specialists. Our REACH expertise, combined with consultancy services and experience in consumer products supply chains, provides a central point of contact for global solutions.

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## THE SIEF PROCESS



