

# Overview of speakers

## Biocides Stakeholders' Day

1 SEPTEMBER 2015  
HELSINKI, FINLAND



## Plenary session 1

# Opening



**Geert DANCET**

Executive Director, ECHA

### Programme

09.00

Opening

Geert Dancet became the first elected Executive Director of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) in January 2008. Under his leadership, the Agency successfully managed all regulatory processes of the REACH and CLP regulations. ECHA has become one of the largest regulatory agencies of the EU with over 500 staff members in charge of the EU chemicals legislations, including the new Biocidal Products and PIC regulations. His mandate was renewed in 2012 and will end on 31 December 2017.

The Commission nominated him as interim Executive Director in January 2007 in order to set up the Agency in Helsinki as from 1 June 2007.

From 2004 to 2007 he was the Head of the REACH Unit in the European Commission's Directorate General for Enterprise and Industry. The unit was co-responsible for taking the REACH proposal through the regulatory process in the Council and the European Parliament as well as for developing and coordinating the REACH implementation strategy, which included the preparations for the new Chemicals Agency.

He first joined the European Commission in 1986 and worked for most of his Commission career in the competition policy field. Prior to working for the European Commission, Mr Dancet enjoyed a brief academic career in the University of Leuven (Belgium) and was programme coordinator for the United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO) in Colombia.

He studied economics, econometrics and philosophy at the University of Leuven, Belgium. Mr Dancet is married with four children.



# Plenary session 1

## Article 95 and union authorisation



### Flore COGNAT

Biocides Registration Group Manager  
European Chemical Industry Council (Cefic)

### Programme

09.05

Article 95: implications for industry

Flore Cognat joined Cefic in November 2013 and has since been coordinating the activities of several biocidal active substance consortia. In this position, she actively follows the regulatory developments of the EU biocides legislation and provides support to Cefic members during the active substance approval process and in data sharing issues.

Before joining Cefic, she worked for several years in a regulatory consultancy in Brussels advising industry on compliance with EU and French environmental and health regulatory legislation and policy. She holds a Master's degree in Environmental Law.



### Hugues KENIGSWALD

Biocides Assessment, ECHA

### Programme

09.25

Article 95: update from ECHA

Mr Kenigswald joined ECHA on 16 August 2012. Prior to working at the Agency he worked on the risk assessment of food additives and nutrient sources at the European Food Safety Authority since 2006.

He is responsible for the Biocides assessment Unit which is supporting the Biocidal Products Committee's working groups and the Coordination Group and is responsible for most of the technical and scientific assessment ECHA activities in the field of biocides and the R4BP 3 product management.

Mr Kenigswald has been working in the field of chemicals risk assessment for over fifteen years and has been involved in a wide range of activities related to the risk assessment and risk management of chemicals at the national and EU, and global level. He has graduated in veterinary medicine and also has post-graduate qualifications in business management, and in statistics and epidemiology. Mr Kenigswald is French.



## Stefaan VERSCHAEVE

Technical Director  
SOPURA S.A.

### Programme

09.45

Preparing an application for union  
authorisation

Stefaan Verschaeve is Legal & Regulatory Affairs Director of SOPURA Group since May 2014.

He has a Master's degree in Chemical Engineering and Biochemistry from the University of Leuven, Belgium, and has worked for different companies like Danone and Scottish & Newcastle as an Industrial Operations Director.

Stefaan is a member of the Management Committee of SOPURA Group.

He is Belgian.



## Chiara PECORINI

Biocides Assessment, ECHA

### Programme

10.05

Union authorisation: how ECHA is helping

Chiara Pecorini joined ECHA in January 2013 and is currently the process coordinator of Union authorisation of biocidal products in the Biocides Assessment Unit. She is also the Chair of the ad hoc Working Group on Human Exposure and a member of the Human Health team supporting the activities of the Biocidal Products Committee and its working groups.

Before joining the Agency, she worked in the Chemical Assessment and Testing Unit at the European Commission - Joint Research Centre in Ispra. During this time, she was involved in the toxicological risk assessment of biocidal active substances and coordinated the Human Exposure Expert Group.

Prior to joining the European Commission, she held a post-doctoral fellowship at the Veterinary Medicine Faculty of the University of Milano. She also collaborated with the French National Institute for Agricultural Research and was visiting research associate at the Department of Physiology and Biophysics, University of Colorado Denver.

Ms Pecorini holds a Master's degree in Veterinary biotechnology and a PhD in Biotechnology applied to veterinary and zootechnical sciences.

Ms Pecorini is Italian.



## Marcel HULSMAN

Account Manager - Biocides  
Dutch Board for the Authorisation of Plant  
Protection Products and Biocides (CTGB  
Netherlands)

### Programme

10.25

Union authorisation: role of the Member  
States

Marcel has been the Ctgb Account Manager for Biocides since 2013.

Ctgb account managers are responsible for relation management and pre-submission support to applicants.

He has worked as Chemical Engineer with PhD (1998) in Analytical Chemistry in the University of Twente in the Netherlands. He has also worked as Laboratory Manager in the surfactants and coating additives industry in Sasol and Elementis. He worked as Laboratory Manager of environmental laboratories of the Dutch Water Board

From 2008 to 2012, he was the Business Development Manager at Intertek, a Quality and Safety service provider.



## Plenary session 2

# Support for applicants



### Jan WEBER

Biocides Assessment, ECHA

### Programme

11.50

IT state of play & analysis of need:  
planning for the future

Jan joined ECHA in 2013 and is currently in charge of the R4BP 3 product management in the Biocides Assessment unit. He is responsible for activities related to the further development and maintenance of R4BP 3 and the SPC editor, and the related involvement of costumers.

Before joining the Agency, he worked for the EC Joint Research Centre in Ispra (Italy). During this time, his work focussed on the preparatory activities in relation to ECHA's tasks under the BPR.

Prior to joining he held a position in a consultancy, working on the risk assessment of biocides.

Jan studied Environmental Engineering and holds a PhD in Environmental Science.

Jan is German.



### Henna PIHA

Support, Forum & Helpnet Secretariat,  
ECHA

### Programme

12.10

Available support

Ms Piha joined ECHA on 1 December 2011, where she works as the Head of the HelpNet Secretariat and team leader of the Regulatory advice and HelpNet Secretariat team.

Prior to this, she worked on risk assessment and risk management of chemicals at DG Joint Research Centre in Italy and at the Finnish Environment Institute.

Ms Piha holds a PhD in biology, specialising in ecotoxicology and ecology.

Ms Piha is Finnish.





## Mike BALDRY

Regulatory Affairs Consultant  
Chemours Chemical Solutions

### Programme

12.25

Industry experience of navigating through  
the biocidal products regulation

After completion of a chemistry degree and doctorate at Oxford University, Mike has worked with companies such as Laporte, Solvay and DuPont. He has been involved with the BPD/R from the earliest days and is currently employed as a Regulatory Affairs Consultant with The Chemours Company. His current focus of activity is European legislation such as BPR, REACH and CLP for both substances and formulated products.

Mike is a professional chemist and biologist, a member of the CEFIC-EBPF Management Committee and chairs the British Standards technical committee responsible for efficacy test methods for disinfectants.



## Plenary session 3

# Getting ready: upcoming developments



### Pierre CHORAINE

Head of Sector Biocides  
DG Health & Food Safety - European Commission

### Programme

15.00

Upcoming regulatory developments

Mr Choraine joined the European Commission in 2003. Since 2005, he is a policy officer in the biocides team and is leading this team since 2012. He is responsible for the overall implementation of the Biocides Regulation (EU) No 528/2012 in its various aspects.

He held previous positions at the European Agency for the Evaluation of Medicines in London from 1994 to 1997 as an administrator, and at the Federation of Veterinarians of Europe from 1998 to 2002 as Executive Director.

He qualified as a veterinary surgeon and has a degree in political sciences.

Mr Choraine is French.



### Jochen MATTHES

Biocides Assessment, ECHA

### Programme

15.20

Review programme: what you need to know

Jochen Matthes joined ECHA in 2008 and is currently in charge of Review Programme processes in the biocides unit. He is responsible for activities related to the biocidal active substance approval.

Before joining the Agency, he worked for science funding in the European Commission. During this time, he coordinated Marie Curie fellowships.

Prior to joining European Commission, he held a position as a consultant working on regulatory affairs in the field of environmental legislations.

Jochen Matthes studied Chemistry and holds a commonly German French PhD.

Jochen Matthes is German.



Mrs. Ir. Daniëlle van Corven-Kloosterman is leading the Europe team for regulatory compliance Diversey Europe, part of Sealed Air. In addition, she submits the BPR registration dossiers for disinfection products. Sealed Air is a leading company for sustainable solutions that improve food safety and security with approximately 24.000 employees around the globe.

She has worked for more then 12 years in regulatory aspects, focussing on all legislation concerning chemicals, detergents and biocidal legislation in particular.

In addition, she is the chair of the Biocidal Product Working Group of the European Detergent industry, A.I.S.E.

### Daniëlle VAN CORVEN-KLOOSTERMAN

European Registrations & Regulatory Lead  
Diversey Europe, part of Sealed Air

#### Programme

15.40

**In-situ generated active substances: a view from industry**



Jack de Bruijn started working at the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) right from the start in September 2007. He is currently heading the Risk Management Directorate that is responsible for identifying and implementing the authorisation and restrictions processes under REACH as well as managing the classification related tasks resulting from the CLP Regulation. Since the beginning of 2014 the Directorate also manages and coordinates ECHA's scientific evaluations and assessments under the Biocidal Products Regulations (BPR).

Before joining the Agency he worked at the European Chemicals Bureau (ECB) of the JRC in Ispra where he coordinated the development of the guidance documents for REACH. Before joining the ECB he worked for many years for the Dutch national authorities in the area of regulatory risk assessment of chemicals. He is chemist by training and has a PhD in environmental toxicology.

### Jack DE BRUIJN

Director of Risk Management, ECHA

#### Programme

16.45

**Closing remarks**

