



# Chemicals Management - REACH Conference 2024 Bratislava 15.-16.10.2024

## Introduction

Ekotox Centers together with partners and representatives of Cefic, Eurometaux and other colleagues and partners from European industry, authorities and NGOs are delighted to announce the REACH Conference Bratislava 2024 which will focus on state-of-the-art and new legislative requirements and its potential impact on companies and countries thereby covering the following topics:

**SESSION 1** EU Chemicals Legislation – as of today

**SESSION 2** The transition towards new requirements for chemicals and products

**SESSION 3** Chemicals Management beyond REACH

**SESSION 4** Chemicals – Knowledge base, Rights to know, Enforcement

## Background

REACH Conference is organized for the 14<sup>th</sup> time combining lecturers and participants from different sectors of industry, authorities, academia, NGOs and other stakeholders.

From 2019 to 2023, due to COVID, the conference was not taking place. Now we are back in Bratislava!

We are happy to be able to put together top speakers from chemicals management area again and to facilitate discussions on the topics which will have an impact on assessment and management of chemicals for at least a decade to come.

So the REACH Conference 2024 is to discuss the present and future aspects of the European “chemicals +” legislation.

Language of the Conference 2024 is English.

Chemicals management—REACH Conference 2024 is a hybrid one.

Participation is possible in-person or online.

So now it is time to meet again!



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July 2024

**Chemicals Management in the new Batteries Regulation:  
perspectives from regulators and industry**  
Bratislava “Chemicals Management – REACH” Conference

Monday 14 October (14:30 -16:30).

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### Free participation and discounts

- Free participation for EU and EU MSs authorities representatives
- Discount for Universities/Academia
- 20% discount for the Cefic, Eurometaux and Fecc members



## REACH Conference Venue



Apollo Hotel Bratislava

Dulovo nám. 1

821 08 Bratislava



*The place is easily accessible from the Bratislava centrum, Bus station Nivy (7 minutes walk), Railway station or Airport.*

*Connection from Vienna Airport to Bratislava Nivy Bus Station every 30 minutes by bus.*

### Free participation and discounts

#### Free for MSs and EU authorities

(dinner NOT included)

REACH Conference 2024 registration will be finally accepted after manually checking the free status eligibility by the organizer.

#### Academia / Universities (dinner NOT included)

Fee discounted to 250€

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**20% discount** apply also for the **Cefic, Eurometaux and Fecc** members. Please contact the respective secretariats for the discount code.

## How to register

Registration is possible on the REACH Conference 2024 webpage:

<https://ekotoxtraining.com/events/reach-conference-2024/>

Access to the REACH Conference 2024 in-person or online will be possible only after participation acceptance by the REACH Conference 2024 Secretariat and paid participation fee.

For participation in-person the VAT is applied based on Slovak tax law. Participants from EU member states can request for VAT processing in their member state.

In online participation no VAT is applied.

Online and in-person participants will have an access to presentations and panel sessions as well as the REACH Conference documents and web information.

Refreshments, coffee and tea is served on the corridors of the REACH Conference venue.

### BOOK EVENT



Chemicals Management - REACH CONFERENCE 2024 (dinner included)  
**750 € without VAT**

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Available Tickets: 96

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Free for MSs and EU authorities (dinner NOT included)  
**Free**

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Available Tickets: 96

Free participation. Your REACH Conference 2024 registration will be finally accepted after manually checking the free status eligibility by the organizer.



Academia / Universities (dinner NOT included)  
**250 € without VAT**

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Available Tickets: 96

This price ticket is applicable ONLY for Academia / Universities participants.



DINNER 15.10.2024  
**50 € without VAT**

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Available Tickets: 96

Tuesday, October 15

## SESSION 1

### EU Chemicals Legislation – as of today

13,15—13,35 **Chemical Strategy for Sustainability**

Dunja DRMAČ



European Chemical Industry Council - Cefic

13,35—13,50 **How Chemical legislation could help to foster the green transition and boost the European competitiveness**

Jonathan Crozier

BASF

13,50—14,10 **CLP revision and its implementation**

Tatiana STARUCHOVA



Exxon Mobil

14,10—14,40 **PANEL SESSION 1**

Panel discussion led by Hugo WAETERSCHOOT



Eurometaux – European Metals Association

The attendance of the presenters, authorities, NGOs, industry representatives

## SESSION 2

### The transition towards new requirements for chemicals

15,00—15,20 **Practical examples of the main issues of the REACH revision under CSS**

Dr. Fatemeh AHMADNIAN

BASF

15,20—15,40 **Almost 20 years of restrictions in the EU up to the PFAS case – lessons learned**

Hugo WAETERSCHOOT

Eurometaux – European Metals Association

15,40—16,00 **The role of chromates in Aerospace & Defence**



Elisa CONSOLI

Aerospace, Security and Defence Industries Association of Europe



16,00—16,20 **Substitution planning carried out by companies**

Dr. Fatemeh AHMADNIAN

BASF

16,20—17,00 **PANEL SESSION 2**

Panel discussion led by Ainhoa GONZALEZ



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17,20—18,00 **Glass of wine & corridor discussions**

19,30— **DINNER**

## CSS

### Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability

—a new long-term vision for the EU's chemical policy.

Already having an impact which will grow in coming years...



Brussels, 14.10.2020  
COM(2020) 667 final

COMMUNICATION FROM THE COMMISSION TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT, THE COUNCIL, THE EUROPEAN ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COMMITTEE AND THE COMMITTEE OF THE REGIONS

Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability  
Towards a Toxic-Free Environment

{SWD(2020) 225 final} - {SWD(2020) 247 final} - {SWD(2020) 248 final} - {SWD(2020) 249 final} - {SWD(2020) 250 final} - {SWD(2020) 251 final}



#### Latest updates

Universal PFAS restriction proposal:

- ECHA's scientific committees meet in September - see agendas: RAC | SEAC
- Highlights from June RAC and SEAC meetings - upcoming sectors announced, 13 June
- Dossier Submitter's ongoing role in the PFAS restriction proposal - news from German BAuA, 15 April 2024
- Highlights from March RAC and SEAC meetings, 21 March 2024
- Next steps for PFAS restriction proposal, 13 March 2024
- Highlights from November RAC and SEAC meetings, 7 Dec 2023
- Enforcement Forum's advice on enforceability of the proposed PFAS restriction, 8 Nov 2023
- All comments submitted to the PFAS restriction proposal now online, 2 Nov 2023

Restriction proposal on PFAS in firefighting foams:

- ECHA's committees: EU-wide PFAS ban in firefighting foams warranted, 22 June 2023

Other:

- RAC recommends classifying PFHxA and related substances for reproductive toxicity (Repr. 1B; H360D), 14 March 2024
- Member States vote to restrict PFHxA in the EU, 29 February 2024
- Perfluorooctanoic acid (PFHpA) and its salts added to Candidate List of substances of very high concern, 17 January 2023





Wednesday, October 16

### SESSION 3

## Chemicals Management beyond REACH

9,00—9,20 **The challenge of coherence between legislations; the metals industry experience**

Ainhoa GONZALEZ

**Eurometaux – European Metals Association**



9,20—9,40 **Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR) – what’s next for the industry and how to make it work**

Dunja DRMAČ

**European Chemical Industry Council - Cefic**



9,40—10,00 **Implementation of the Battery Regulation**

Raji KAUR

**The Advanced Rechargeable & Lithium Batteries Association**



10,00—10,20 **How are downstream users coping with different chemical legislation?**

Triin KAUP

**The Downstream Users of Chemicals Co-ordination Group**



### 10,20—10,50 **PANEL SESSION 3**

Panel discussion led by **Martin MURÍN**



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### SESSION 4

## Chemicals – Knowledge base, Rights to know, Enforcement

11,05—11,20 **Updates from the ECHA Enforcement Forum**

Henrik Hedlund KEMI/chair of ECHA Enforcement Forum



11,20—11,45 **REACH4Textiles project**

Stijn STEUPERAERT

Centexbel



11,45—12,05 **Experienc by the member state**

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12,05—12,30 **Enforcement by MSs**

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### 12,30—13,00 **PANEL SESSION 4**

Panel discussion led by **Dunja DRMAČ**

**European Chemical Industry Council - Cefic**



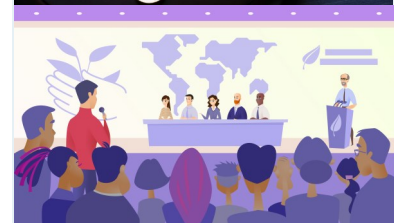
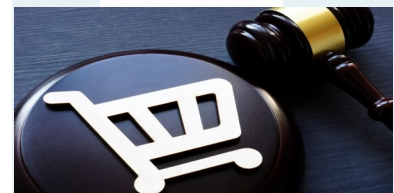
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## CLOSURE OF THE REACH CONFERENCE 2024

### Chemicals Management

### Challenges

### Legislation



# REACH Conference 2024

Bratislava October 15-16, 2023

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## Lead Organizer: **Ekotox Centers**

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<https://cefic.org/>

**European Metals Association—Eurometaux**

<https://eurometaux.eu/>

## Partners:

**European Association of Chemical Distributors—Fecc**

<https://www.fecc.org/>

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**DETOX**

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### **The REACH Conference 2024 board:**

*Dunja Drmač, Cefic (European Chemical Industry Council)*

*Hugo Waeterschoot, Eurometaux (European Association of Metals)*

*Fatemeh Ahmadnian, BASF*

*Martin Murín, Ekotox Centers*