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Dear Kestutis,

To address your request below, we have developed this paper on strategic chemicals (and embedded another paper that we shared earlier with you on strategic value chains, as both go hand in hand).

We don't have all answers yet. In particular the tools and policies require much deeper thinking/assessment.

With regards,

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Thanks a lot, [REDACTED]
I've read with interest.

In our last call and partly linked to the first note on level playing field and the recovery package, I've also asked for your advice which chemicals should be considered of importance for strategic autonomy, and the mechanism/criteria how we chose them to be strategic. I believe that we must aim to reverse the trend of diminishing share of EU in global market.

This must, at the same time, be done by not lowering the protection of environment and health [or not increasing the risks to environment and health]. With this condition, the question then is what policies and tools would allow us to turn the tide. I see massive co-investment – public and private - in innovation as one of them, but there must be many others.

This is what we have to identify or/and try to design. Your further reflection on that – and on the choice of strategic chemicals – would be very welcome.

best

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Dear all,

Further to recent discussions between Cefic and DG ENV, I am sharing three more Discussion Papers on the following themes:

- **Level-playing field for the EU Chemical Industry:** this paper explains what we mean with "level-playing field" and outline reasons for the erosion of the chemical industry competitiveness in Europe.
- **Supporting global chemicals management:** specific suggestions are made with regard to SAICM, further GHS implementation, Mutual Acceptance of Data, Free Trade Agreements and regulatory cooperation in particular
- **Tracking and Tracing of substances that may pose a problem to future recycling:** concrete proposals are suggested.

I hope we can send two last documents tomorrow: 'Strategic value Chains' and 'One Substance, One Assessment'.

I am also following-up on some points raised during our meetings:

1. You asked whether Safe-and-Sustainable by Design criteria could be organised around the 6 environmental objectives listed in the Taxonomy (Sustainable Finances) which are (a) climate change mitigation; (b) climate change adaptation; (c) the sustainable use and protection of water and marine resources; (d) the transition to a circular economy; (e) pollution prevention and control; (f) the protection and restoration of biodiversity and ecosystems. Most of these objectives, if not all, are indeed considered in the existing Product Portfolio Sustainability Assessment (PSA) methodology of the World Business Council on Sustainable Development. In addition, the PSA methodology considers other, non-environmental criteria as well (market, HSE profile, economic, social).

That's very important to integrate in a holistic approach. We have compiled a list of environmental categories typically considered in a Portfolio Sustainability Assessment. Let me know if you would like to receive the list.

2. On potential environmental impact of Chemical Recycling, I understand BASF has been in contact with you (they have run a study).
3. You asked about blockchain technology for enforcement purposes [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] I understand from colleagues that blockchain has been used in the [cotton market](#) for a couple of years, and [palm oil](#).

I trust you will find this input useful.

Best regards,

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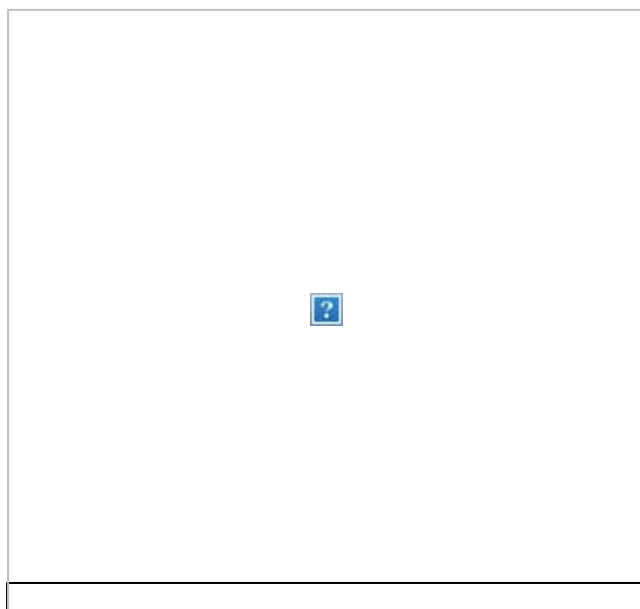


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