

PFASs Working Group Webex

9 Nov 2020, 11:00-13:00 (Helsinki time)

Annotated agenda

Chaired by: [REDACTED] (ECHA)

1. **Welcome** (Chair) 5 minutes
2. **Follow up from the last meeting** (where relevant) (Chair) 5 minutes
3. **Strategic issues** 55 minutes

PFAS strategy (status and discussion)

- Updates on the chemicals strategy and PFAS action plan [REDACTED] COM)

Questions and answer time on many specific aspects related to the EU Chemicals Strategy (for sustainability): https://ec.europa.eu/environment/strategy/chemicals-strategy_en which comprises a SWD (staff working document) specifically targeting the issue of PFAS: https://ec.europa.eu/environment/pdf/chemicals/2020/10/SWD_PFAS.pdf

4. **Restriction activities (status of the projects and discussion)** 40 minutes

- Preparation of:
 - Report on PFAS in textiles [REDACTED] COM)
Updates on the progress of the report, now available at: https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/13641/pfas_in_textiles_final_report_en.pdf/0a3b1c60-3427-5327-4a19-4d98ee06f041
 - Restriction of PFAS in fire-fighting foams [REDACTED] ECHA)
 - PFAS-related projects from RISE (Research Institutes of Sweden) [REDACTED] ECHA)
Updates on: 1) 2021 FFF ECHA restriction 2) POPFREE (a project with the goal to promote feasible non-fluorinated alternatives) and SUPFES (a project with a holistic view on the use of the fluorinated chemicals in the textile industry studying emissions, life cycles and human and aquatic toxicity) carried out by RISE. Additional info and contacts on the word file POPfree-SUPFES_projects
 - "Universal restriction on PFAS": highlights for new PFAS WG members (M. Beekman) updates for new members
- PFHxA restriction:
 - State of play [REDACTED], ECHA) Updates shared
 - It's impact on the SEv process [REDACTED] ECHA)

Discussion on the development of the restriction proposal and on the updated CORAP file (to be shared with MS only, available in the November webex folder)

5. European Environment Agency's: updates on EEA PFAS project

(X. Trier, EEA) 10 minutes

Updates on the development of "a systemic view on fluorinated polymers in a low carbon, circular and not toxic economy" presented at July webex

6. Any other business (All)

Exchange about other workshops, conferences, studies, projects (for further discussion via the PFAS WG distribution list or in the next webex)

- How to deal with stakeholders' requests to join the PFAS WG (occasionally) and to select guests speakers that can be invited during the preparatory work of the universal restriction (Chair, All)

This agenda point was not discussed during the meeting due to lack of time and will be proposed at the next webex.