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The Pulp and Paper Value Chain Information System (P&P-VIS)

Pulp and paper manufacturers and chemical suppliers are working together to establish a standardized communication that fosters the exchange of chemical information and increases transparency in the value chain.

The parties have developed a Harmonized Questionnaire and Decernis Ltd has been chosen to provide a web-based IT tool to facilitate the information transfer between chemical suppliers and pulp and paper manufacturers.

Support for the compliance work

The Harmonized Questionnaire includes the most important and frequently asked product safety and compliance questions that pulp and paper manufacturers address to their chemical and raw material suppliers. The Harmonized Questionnaire provides information that is not included in the safety data sheets such as food contact material compliance, ecolabel declarations or other market requirements, for example, vegan, kosher or halal certificates.

Industry specific list of declarable substances

In addition, the pulp and paper industry list of declarable substances (PIDSL) was formed. The list includes chemicals of concern that may not be declared in the safety data sheets but can be of concern due to, for instance, organoleptic or regulatory reasons.

Harmonized Questionnaire is available for all

EPCG (the European Pulp and Paper Chemicals Group), the association representing companies manufacturing auxiliaries for the pulp and paper making industry and CEPI (the Confederation of European Paper Industries) have contributed to this work. The Harmonized Questionnaire is available for everyone on CEPI's web page. It can be used as such to fill-in and exchange information via e-mail but the best results are achieved when also the web-based IT-tool is used as the information for a single product only needs to be inserted once.

New companies are called to join

The involved parties have been working on the Harmonized Questionnaire and the IT-tool since 2016. The Decernis Supply Chain Management system is scheduled to be operational by mid-2018. Participating companies are welcoming more companies to join the co-operation. There will be a mutual benefit if a large number of chemical suppliers and their pulp and paper customers will join. New members are encouraged to join by the end of January 2019 in order to benefit from the



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so-called founding member status. The joint initiative will stay open for all interested companies operating in the pulp and paper value chain.

A list of participating companies and further information can be found at: www.cepi.org.

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