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REQUEST FOR CONTRIBUTION

From: General Secretariat of the Council
To: Working Party on the Environment

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Subject: OSOA Package: Proposal to set up an Ad Hoc Working Party: Draft Mandate –
CALL FOR COMMENTS

The Presidency would like to inform delegations of its proposal to set up an Ad Hoc Working Party on the implementation of the "One Substance, One Assessment" approach to chemical safety assessments (AHWP OSOA) to conduct the preparatory work related to the negotiations on the following legislative proposals:

- Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 401/2009, (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2019/1021 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals (2023/0455(COD));
- Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks to the European Chemicals Agency (2023/0454(COD));
- Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL establishing a common data platform on chemicals, laying down rules to ensure that the data contained in it are findable, accessible, interoperable and reusable and establishing a monitoring and outlook framework for chemicals (2023/0453(COD))

The AHWP OSOA will be set up, in accordance with Article 19(3) of the Rules of Procedure of the Council, in order to address the cross-sectoral issues covered by this legislative proposal in the most efficient way. Under the authority of the Permanent Representatives Committee, the AHWP OSOA will report to the Environment configuration of the Council and, as appropriate, to the Agriculture and

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fisheries configuration of the Council, to the Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs configuration of the Council and to the Competitiveness configuration of the Council. The draft mandate for the AHWP OSOA can be found in the Annex to this Note.

Any eventual comments to the draft mandate should be sent to the Presidency

[REDACTED], with copy to the Council
Secretariat [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]) by Thursday, 11 January 2024 cob.

Draft Mandate**Ad Hoc Working Party on the implementation of the "one substance, one assessment" approach to chemical safety assessments ("AHWP OSOA").**

Code	J.3
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Council configuration	<p>The <u>Ad Hoc Working Party on the implementation of the "one substance, one assessment" approach to chemical safety assessments ("AHWP OSOA")</u> operates under:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> General affairs<input type="checkbox"/> Foreign affairs<input type="checkbox"/> Economic and financial affairs¹<input type="checkbox"/> Justice and home affairs²<input type="checkbox"/> Employment, social policy, health and consumer affairs<input type="checkbox"/> Competitiveness (internal market, industry, research and space)³<input type="checkbox"/> Transport, telecommunications and energy<input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture and fisheries<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Environment<input type="checkbox"/> Education, youth, culture and sport⁴
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Sub-areas or subgroups (if applicable)	n/a
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Policy areas	<p>On 19 December 2023, the European Commission submitted three legislative proposals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 401/2009, (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2019/1021 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals (2023/0455(COD)) ;• Proposal for a DIRECTIVE OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Directive 2011/65/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks to the European Chemicals Agency (2023/0454(COD)) ;
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¹ Including budget

² Including civil protection

³ Including tourism

⁴ Including Audio-visual affairs

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Under the authority of the Permanent Representatives Committee⁵, the AHWP OSOA will report to the Environment configuration of the Council and, as appropriate, to the Agriculture and Fisheries configuration of the Council, to the Employment, Social Policy, Health and Consumer Affairs configuration of the Council and to the Competitiveness configuration of the Council.

The AHWP OSOA is responsible for the conduct of the work necessary to prepare the content of the position of the Council on the above-mentioned legislative proposals of the Commission.

Type of work

The Working Party is mainly in charge of the following:

- Work on Union legal acts (i.e. legislative acts and other legal acts)
- Policy preparation

In particular, the AHWP is in charge of

- legislative act(s):
 - **Proposal for a REGULATION OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL amending Regulations (EC) No 178/2002, (EC) No 401/2009, (EU) 2017/745 and (EU) 2019/1021 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards the re-attribution of scientific and technical tasks and improving cooperation among Union agencies in the area of chemicals (2023/0455(COD));**
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- other Union legal acts:
- external documents or instruments:
- policy document(s):
- other:

⁵ In accordance with Article 240(1) TFEU and the Council's Rules of procedure

**Chairing
arrangement**

The Working Party is chaired by:

- the six-monthly Presidency
- a representative of the High Representative
- other, namely:

Observations

- Date of establishment:
 - Duration of the mandate:
The AHWP OSOA will cease to exist upon the adoption of the legislative proposals above, or upon decision by the Permanent Representatives Committee.
 - Main links with other working parties: Working Party on Environment (J.1), Working Party on Technical Harmonisation (G.7), Working Party on Food and Food Systems (F.27), Working Party on Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices (I.4)
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