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#### **GHS FUTURE WORK**

##### **Transmitted by the European Industrial Gases Association (EIGA)**

#### **Introduction**

As stated in the various informal papers submitted by EIGA in the December session, there are a number of issues related to gases that need further development in the next biennium.

#### **Proposal**

EIGA would like to see the following issues addressed:

- Label elements for multiple hazard gases on receptacles including precedence of hazards at the workplace;
- Corrosivity of gases and mixtures; interaction with systemic acute toxicity;
- Generic cut-off values of toxic and corrosive gases.

#### **Justification**

The globally harmonised system does not address all issues related to gases and needs further development. Because of the specificity of gases and their interaction with air, the GHS cannot but partially be implemented at this stage.

EIGA considers that quite some aspects of these problems need a thorough review in an appropriate working group and is offering to participate in the proceedings if deemed useful