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Implementation of the GHS:

reports on the status of implementation

Updates on the Technical regulation of the Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) “On the Safety of Chemical Products”

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1. On 3 March 2017 by Decision No. 19 of the Council of the Eurasian Economic Commission the technical regulation “On the safety of chemical products” has been adopted as TR EAEU 041/2017. This technical regulation is scheduled to enter into force after 2 June 2021 thereby allowing industry to go through 4-year transition period. EAEU members include: Republic of Armenia, Republic of Belarus, Republic of Kazakhstan, Republic of Kyrgyzstan and Russian Federation.
2. Key elements of technical regulation includes: hazard classification and hazard communication; labeling and SDSs; identification; new substances notification; register of substances and mixtures of the EAEU; conformity assessment within the state registration.
3. This regulation implements the mandatory application of GHS in the Russian Federation within the framework of the system of national standards (GOSTs) on test methods, criteria for classification and elements of hazard communication, which currently are applied on a voluntary basis. At the moment all the national standards are undergoing a revision procedure in accordance with the 7th edition of the GHS Recommendations.
4. By the date of December 1st 2018 two second-tier documents were developed: “On the procedure of formation and maintenance of the register” and “On the notification procedure for new chemical substances”. Now these documents are under the consideration.
5. The Register is an informational resource containing data on the chemical substances and mixtures properties, including information on the prohibition, restriction, or permission to use it in the EAEU territory. It consists of the Inventory and Database. Now the Register is under the development by the respective countries.
6. In order to form an Inventory as a part of the Registry industry is expected to provide information on the chemicals produced (including as a part of mixtures). Provided information should contain above all identification numbers, synonyms and GHS classification according to the ANNEX 1 to the order “On the procedure of formation and maintenance of the register”. The process of information collection will start on August 10, 2019. Foreign companies exporting to Russia are asked to participate in Inventory development by the Only representative, authorized in the Russian Federation.

7. If the information on a chemical substance is not included into the Register of chemical substances and mixtures of the Union, such substance is considered to be new and therefore falls under the notification procedure.
