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JOINT MEETING OF THE CHEMICALS COMMITTEE AND
THE WORKING PARTY ON CHEMICALS, PESTICIDES AND BIOTECHNOLOGY**

Working Group on Chemical Accidents

PROVISIONAL DRAFT AGENDA

24th Meeting of the Working Group on Chemical Accidents

**22-24 October 2014
OECD Conference Centre
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With a

SPECIAL SESSION ON HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE HANDLING FACILITIES WITH OWNERSHIP CHANGE

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To be held at the OECD Conference Centre
22-24 October 2014

Day 1: Wednesday 22 October			
1.	09.30 - 09.35	Adoption of the Draft Agenda	<i>Action Required:</i> For adoption
2.	09.35 – 09.40	Adoption of the Draft Summary Record of the 23rd WGCA Meeting	<i>Action Required:</i> For approval
3.	09.40 – 10.00	Progress and highlights in the Chemical Accidents Programme since the last WGCA Meeting	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
4.	10.00 – 10.20	Reporting from the 51st Joint Meeting of the Chemicals Committee and the Working Party on Chemicals, Pesticides and Biotechnology	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
5.	10.20 – 11.00	Reporting from the 2nd Inter-Agency Coordination Meeting on Industrial Accidents	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
COFFEE BREAK 11.00-11.30			
6.	11.30 – 11.50	Annual Report of the joint EC-OECD-UNECE accident reporting and analysis scheme	Oral Presentation <i>Action Required:</i> For information
7.	11.50 – 12.30	Ageing of Hazardous Installations (<i>project progress report</i>)	<i>Action Required:</i> For discussion

8.	12.30 – 13.00	Risk of Major Accidents involving Manufactured Nanomaterials (<i>project progress report</i>)	<i>Action Required:</i> For discussion
LUNCH BREAK 13.00-14.30			
9.	14.30 – 15.00	Natech Risk Management: Draft Addendum to the Guiding Principles	<i>Action Required:</i> For endorsement
10.	15.00 – 16.00	Delegations' reports on recent developments related to Chemical Accidents	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
COFFEE BREAK 16.00 – 16.30			
11.	16.30 – 17.00	Delegations' reports on recent developments related to Chemical Accidents	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
12.	17.00 - 17.20	Presentation of the Review of the Environment Liability Directive	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
13.	17.20 – 18.00	Inspection Programmes for Monitoring the Safety of Hazardous Installations (<i>project proposal</i>)	<i>Action Required:</i> For discussion
END OF DAY 1			

Day 2: Thursday 23 October			
14.	09.00 – 11.00	Insights into Possible Future Themes of Interest	<i>Action Required:</i> For discussion
COFFEE BREAK 11.00-11.30			
15.	11.30 – 12.00	Delegations’ reports on recent developments related to Chemical Accidents	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
16.	12.00 - 12.30	Hazardous Substance Handling Facilities with Ownership Change (<i>project progress report</i>)	<i>Action Required:</i> For discussion
LUNCH BREAK 12.30 - 14.00			
SPECIAL SESSION: HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE HANDLING FACILITIES WITH OWNERSHIP CHANGE			
<p><i>The WGCA project on Hazardous Substance Handling Facilities with Ownership Change aims at getting a better understanding of the potential safety implications of a change of ownership in facilities handling hazardous substances. This includes, for example, the potential risks caused by a change of ownership from a company with high safety standards to a company with limited understanding of process safety.</i></p> <p><i>This special session aims to illustrate the extent to which ownership change is a potential risk factor for the occurrence of accidents in facilities handling hazardous substance, with possibly examples of accidents in which ownership change might have been in cause. It will be looking at issues such as how ownership change is being considered in current chemical accidents prevention programmes and what further policy might be needed to improve prevention in the case of ownership change. It will try to untangle the role of different stakeholders (e.g. acquiring company, selling company, public authorities, etc.) in managing possible risks when a hazardous handling facility is going through a change of ownership.</i></p> <p><i>The aim of this session will be to get a first insight into the need for further guidance to be developed for supporting the prevention of, preparedness for and response to accidents when a facility handling hazardous substances is going through a change of ownership.</i></p> <p>14.00-18.00</p> <p>Coffee Break from 16.00 to 16.30.</p> <p><i>A detailed agenda for this event will be provided separately.</i></p>			
END OF DAY 2			

Day 3: Wednesday 24 October 2014			
17.	09.00 – 10.30	Delegations' reports on recent developments related to Chemical Accidents (cont').	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
18.	10.30 – 10.45	Feedback to the Joint Meeting	<i>Action Required:</i> For discussion
19.	10.45 – 11.00	Resources	<i>Action Required:</i> For information
COFFEE BREAK 11.00-11.30			
20.	11.30 – 11.45	Designation of the Chair and Bureau	<i>Action Required:</i> For agreement
21.	11.45 – 12.00	Dates of 25th WGCA Meeting	<i>Action Required:</i> For agreement
22.	12.00 – 12.20	Action Items from the 24th WGCA meeting	<i>Action Required:</i> For endorsement
23.	12.20 – 12.30	Any Other Business	
END OF THE MEETING			