

## Final Project Conference

### Substitution, use reduction and overall improved chemicals risk management:

### Companies in Baltic States are fitter for REACH!

**Date: 24 November 2020 - virtual Baltic States**

**ZOOM:** link to be provided upon registration

**Start/End:** 10:00 – 15:30 CET / 11:00 – 16:30 EET

**Organizer:** Baltic Environmental Forum

9:30	Entry of participants to the zoom room
10:00	Welcoming address <i>N.N. Latvian Ministry of the Environment</i> Introduction to the event by <i>Heidrun Fammler, Project Manager, Baltic Environmental Forum</i>
10:15	Introduction to the event & Introduction to the LIFE Fit for REACH project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>What was it about, what were the goals and how was it implemented – Achievements in substitution and use reduction of hazardous substances as well as in basic chemicals risk management competences; paving the ground for even more substitution after the project.</li> </ul> <i>Heidrun Fammler, Project Manager, Baltic Environmental Forum &amp; Antonia Reihlen, Senior Consultant, Germany</i>
10:45	<b>Session 1: Chemicals Risk Management Basics &amp; Communication</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project experiences with regard to the capacities of Baltic companies to obtain, understand and implement chemical information: general awareness on chemicals, classification and labelling, safety datasheets, inventories, communication in the supply chain</li> </ul>
<b>Presentation</b>	Heli Nommsalu, Baltic Environmental Forum Estonia Juhan Ruut, Hendrikson Ltd. Estonia Ingrida Bremere, Baltic Environmental Forum Latvia
<b>Panel</b>	Andreas Ahrens, European Chemicals Agency Lothar Lieck, European Agency for Safety and Health at Work Kerstin Heitmann, com4chem, Germany N.N. Inspector, KEMI Sweden or other
12:00	<b>Coffee break (with your own coffee)</b>
12:30	<b>Session 2: Substitution, use reduction and Green Markets</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project experiences on approaches of, support factors and barriers for Baltic companies regarding substitution and use reduction of hazardous substances as well as forming markets for safer products, e.g. via green procurement or green claims</li> </ul>



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<b>Presentation</b>	Juste Kukucione & Grazvydas Jegelevicius, Baltic Environmental Forum Lithuania Jana Simanovska, Ecodesign Competence Centre, Latvia
<b>Panel</b>	Denis Mottet, European Chemicals Agency Tonie Wickman, Chemicals Substitution Centre, Sweden Joel Tickner, University of Massachusetts Lowell, USA Yifaat Baron, Oeko Institute, Germany, tbc
<b>14:00</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>14:15</b>	<b>Session 3: Additional aspects and conclusions</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LIFE Fit for REACH in a helicopter perspective: measuring impacts of the project, learnings for a wider context, policy recommendations and conclusions from the meeting</li> </ul>
<b>Presentation</b>	Jolita Kruopiene, Kaunas Technical University, Lithuania Daiva Semeniene, Environmental Policy Centre, Lithuania Ms. Antonia Reihlen, Senior Consultant, Germany
<b>Panel</b>	Ministries of Environment/Agencies REACH help desks Baltic States N.N. European Commission, DG ENV, Chemicals Unit Andreas Ahrens, European Chemicals Agency Manuel Montero-Ramirez, EASME, LIFE Unit, European Commission
<b>15:15 – 15:30</b>	<b>End of the event &amp; Farewell</b> <i>Heidrun Fammler, Project Manager, Baltic Environmental Forum</i>

### **Baltic Pilot Cases – video show - during breaks:**

- **Tenachem**, Latvia - one of the leading Latvian producers for professional construction chemicals substituted phthalates in sealants for insulating glass units
- **Epokate**, Estonia – producer of two-component epoxy resin materials for floor coverings successfully substituted the reprotoxic nonylphenol in its products
- **Mayeri Industries**, Estonia - producer of detergents and car chemicals removed or reduced the quantity of four hazardous components from their products
- **Henkel Balti**, Estonia- manufacturer of polyurethane construction foams minimized workers' exposure, reduced the amounts of hazardous waste, and lowered air emissions
- **Vakaru metalgama**, Lithuania - ship building and repair company reduced emissions of volatile organic compounds and lowered reproductive toxicity risk categories by substituting the product used
- **Ameralabs**, Lithuania– 3D printing material producers substituted hazardous substance in the printing liqui
- **Kvist**, Latvia - furniture producer substituted polyurethane paints with water based in production of particular products
- **Projecroom**, Latvia - printing house substituted solvent based inks with latex inks
- **WESS Motors**, Latvia – official Toyota dealer and service provider made full inventory of the chemicals used in daily work
- **Varva**, Lithuania – jewellery studio substituted hazardous substances in the jewellery making material



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