

"Addressing Challenges - Identifying Solutions"

ICCA Global Product Strategy

Sound Chemicals Management is a Global Responsibility

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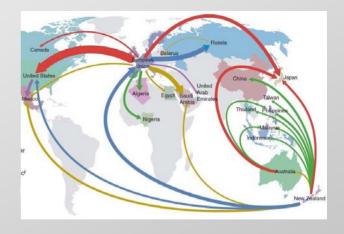
ICCA Chemical Policy and Health



Challenges and how to address them

Globalized product flows

Problems related to product safety are no longer restricted to a country of origin.



- As a response the global chemical industry has expanded its voluntary stewardship programs
- A balanced combination of regulations and voluntary initiatives is the best way to achieve safe management of chemicals



ICCA contribution to SAICM – RCGC and GPS

- At ICCM-1 (Dubai, 2006) ICCA introduced two voluntary initiatives,
 - > Responsible Care Global Charter (RCGC) and
 - Global Product Strategy (GPS)
- To improve sound management of chemicals globally
- All major chemical companies accepted the obligation to put GPS into practice
- External review process through ICCM's (2009 / 2012 / 2015 / 2018)





Global Product Strategy – Tools for Success



Improve the availability of information



Base Set of Information
GPS Safety Summary
Web-based IT-Portal



Promote knowledge and skills transfer



Training Workshops
Guidance materials
GPS Network of experts



Increase awareness on chemical management



ICCA Principles for Chemical Management Systems



Research on existing and emerging issues



ICCA Long Range
Research Initiative (LRI)



Improve Exchange of Information – GPS IT Portal

- Free public access to relevant information on chemicals and products for all stakeholders.
- Companies initially provided >1600 GPS Safety Summaries. More to be available e.g. within 1 year after the respective REACH Tier deadline.
- The official <u>public</u> launch took place on 4th October 2010.



ICCA Website

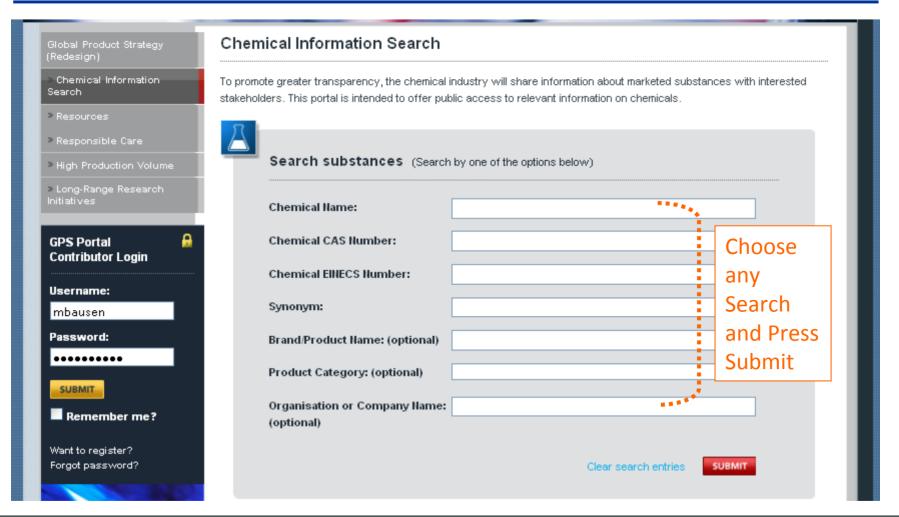




Public In Focus: Improve access to information



GPS IT Portal - Structure





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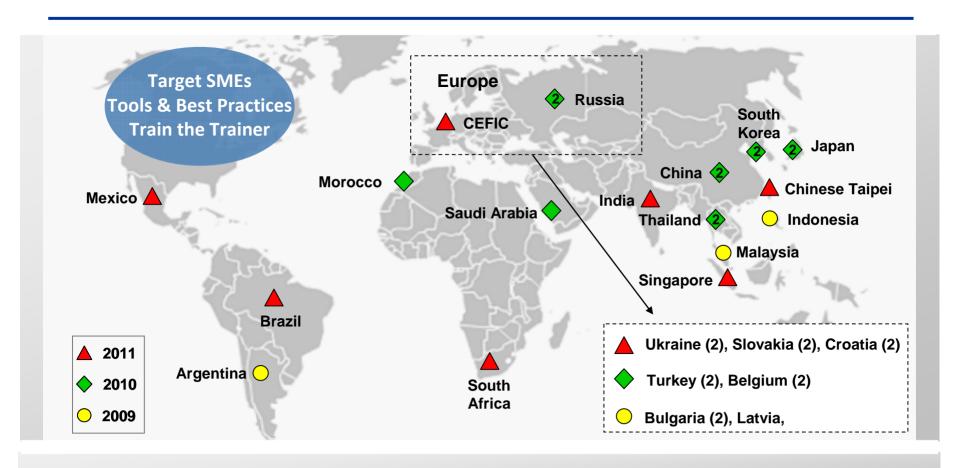
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ICCA Capacity Building Workshops



SMEs In Focus: Transition from theory to practice



Improve Industry Performance – GPS Guidance

Section One: Preparation

- Step 1: Select chemicals for assessment
- Step 2: Gather information
- Step 3: Prioritize chemicals into Tiers
- Step 4: Develop Tier information

Section Two: Implementation

- Step 5: Characterize Hazard
- Step 6: Assess Exposure
- Step 7: Conduct Risk Characterization
- Step 8: Document Safety Summary



SMEs In Focus: Share expertise in risk assessment



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UNEP / ICCA Memorandum of Understanding

- The MoU was signed end of Sept 2010 by UNEP / ICCA and outlines joint activities in strategic areas such as:
 - Sound Management of Chemicals
 - Chemical Accident Prevention
 - Responsible Production
 - Responsible Care and the Global Product Strategy
 - Harmonization of Chemicals Management Systems
- A joint UNEP / ICCA steering group (March 2011) will manage activities and pilot projects.

Partnership in Focus: Joint activities in strategic areas