



## **14th CLEEN conference in London, United Kingdom 17./18.9.2013**

The annual conference of European inspection authorities, organised under the umbrella of the Chemical Legislation European Enforcement Network (CLEEN), was hosted by the United Kingdom in London on the 17th and 18<sup>th</sup> of September 2013. The conference was opened by Judith Hackitt, Chair of the Health and Safety Executive of Great Britain. Representatives from eighteen European countries attended to discuss current and future collaborative enforcement inspections.

The following items were discussed during the conference:

- The results of the Eurobiocides toolbox questionnaire were presented and a first report will be produced in October 2013. The new Biocidal Products Regulation came into force 1<sup>st</sup> September 2013. Further work on biocides was discussed and a Eurobiocides III project was proposed to focus on treated articles.
- The final results of the e-Commerce II project were presented. The project has resulted in more than 700 offers of illegal products being blocked or removed from internet sales. It has led to the disposal of dangerous goods and raised awareness amongst internet traders and trading platforms. It has also aided the cross-border enforcement of internet sales of illegal chemicals, including biocides. Online trade of chemicals continues to grow and the future of this project is being considered by the CLEEN members.
- An overview of the EuroPop project was given. A number of member states are continuing work on monitoring the use of banned hexachlorobenzene in fireworks and non-compliances continue to be found. Results of this work will be shared with the other members of CLEEN.
- Preliminary results of the EuroDeter project were presented; the project focused on compliance with the Detergents Regulation. Main aspects of the Biocidal Products Directive and the Dangerous Preparations Directive have also been enforced. About 900 products have been inspected in 12 participating countries. More than two thirds of the checked products have shown to be non-compliant with at least one of the three pieces of legislation enforced.  
In the first half of 2014, the Project WG will distribute the draft report of the EuroDeter Project among participating countries asking for their feedback.
- Future work on Ozone Depleting Substances and Fluorinated Greenhouse Gases is being considered by CLEEN members, prompted by upcoming EU legislation.

The 15th CLEEN conference will be held in Utrecht, Netherlands, in 2014.

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