

**SME Development Fund
Final Report of Approved Project**

(covering from 1/12/2009 to 30/11/2011)

Project Title : Implementation and Support Programme to deal
(Reference No.) with the EU Regulation on Registration,
Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of
Chemicals (REACH) (D09 002 006)

Period covered : From 1/12/2009 to 30/11/2011
(dd/mm/yy) (dd/mm/yy)

1. Project Details

Please mark with "*" if any of the following project details is different from that in the project proposal appended to the project agreement.

Project Reference and Title

D09 002 006 - Implementation and Support Programme to deal with the EU Regulation on Registration, Evaluation, Authorization and Restriction of Chemicals (REACH)

Project Summary (in not more than 150 words)

European market has long been one of the most important export markets of Hong Kong. Most notably, REACH Regulation introduced in 2006 by EU has had widest impacts on the industries. In the past two years, our supporting centre granted by Trade and Industry Department provides SMEs in Hong Kong with the most up-to-date information about REACH Regulation through a series of seminars, technical support for REACH Regulation.

Project Objective(s) (in not more than 80 words)

The aims are to provide support to the SMEs, assist SMEs solve the difficulties when facing the buyer's REACH requirements, save the investment on manpower and software from chemical data collection as well as build up REACH implementation model and make sure the business in EU can be continued.

Recipient/Collaborating/Implementation Organisation

Recipient Organisation : The Chinese Manufacturers' Association of Hong Kong
Collaborating Organisation(s) : CMA Industrial Development Foundation Limited – CMA Testing
Implementation Agent(s) : The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
Hong Kong Quality Assurance Agency

Key Personnel

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Project Period

	<u>Commencement Date</u> (day/month/year)	<u>Completion Date</u> (day/month/year)	<u>Project Duration</u> (No. of months)
As stated in project agreement	1 December 2009	30 November 2011	24
Revised (if applicable)	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.

Methodology Employed

N.A.

2. Summary of Project Results

Project Deliverables

Please list out the targeted project deliverables as stated in the project proposal appended to the project agreement and provide details of actual result achieved, including beneficiaries, for each of them.

2 sets of brochure with 800 copies each served as a quick reference for SMEs to get to know the process of REACH Registration and REACH Audit.

5 seminars/workshops delivered to SMEs with most up-to-date REACH information and possible solutions.

1 product-oriented database on EHS Centre website ([http:// www.ehscentre.org](http://www.ehscentre.org))

Actual Benefits to SMEs

Please indicate *in clear, specific, tangible and quantifiable terms* the benefits of the project and its contribution to enhancing the competitiveness of Hong Kong's SMEs in general or SMEs in specific sectors, in not more than 400 words.

Our staff had gone to Helsinki and UK for specific REACH training and have built a strong relationship with the REACH official (ECHA) and consultants in UK. These relationships helped to provide us with the most up-to-date information and solutions of REACH issues encountered. During the project period, 4 seminars and 1 workshop were arranged according to SMEs' needs and each of them received more than hundred of application. Also, two brochures (REACH Registration and REACH Audit) were made to serve as a quick reference for SMEs to deal with their obligation in REACH and perform a better chemical management system in their companies. Moreover, an online product-oriented database was built for SMEs to search for possible substance of very high concern (SVHC) that might appear in their products so as to avoid excess use of those materials and to maintain their shares in EU market. To make use of EHS Centre website, all seminar material and leaflet were available online and can be download for free. ([http:// www.ehscentre.org](http://www.ehscentre.org))

Milestones (in chronological order)

Please indicate if the milestone is completed (C), deferred (D) or not achieved (N). If it is deferred, please indicate the revised completion date. For those milestones which are deferred or not achieved, please also provide the reasons under item 2.4.

<u>Milestone</u> (as set out in the project proposal appended to the project agreement)	<u>Original target completion date</u>	<u>Revised target completion date</u> (if applicable)	<u>Status</u> (C/D/N) #
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(a)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expert team kick off meeting - Appointment of EU experts as project consultants - Identification of the gap generally exists - Confirmation of chemical database structure - 1 REACH Regulation update seminar - Installation of (Q)SAR - Development of program for case studies - Development of audit protocol, audit criteria and audit checklist 	28 February 2010		C
(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Completion of selection of particular for case studies - Case study – preparation for “Notification” - Update of the chemical database and the website of supporting centre - Commencement of research of possible applications of commonly used hazardous substances - 1 REACH Regulation update seminar 	31 August 2010		C
(c)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Progress report to TID - Completion of REACH Audit - 1 experience sharing seminar/workshop of “Notification & Communication in REACH” - Distribution of booklet “Notification & Communication in REACH” for knowledge sharing - Completion of REACH audit findings follow up - 1 seminar of introduction of “Chemical Management System and Audit” 	28 February 2011		C
(d)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Launching of chemical database with data on real life applications of commonly used hazardous substances - 1 seminar/workshop of summarizing the implementation experience of “Chemical management System and Audit” - Distribution of leaflet “Chemical management System Auditing” for knowledge sharing 	31 August 2011	30 November 2011	D
(e)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Supporting center is able to operate onwards - Final report to TID 	30 November 2011		C

Marketing/Dissemination Activities (in chronological order)

Please provide details of all completed and on-going promotional and/or dissemination activities for each of the project deliverables. Such activities may include advertisements, seminars, workshops, etc.

<u>Date/ Period</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>No. of beneficiaries</u> (Please specify whether they are SMEs or not)
25/06/10	REACH Regulatory Updates and Chemical Safety Management Sharing	136
17/09/10	REACH Registration and Introduction of REACH Audit	117
17/12/10	Introduction And Application of Chemical Management Database IUCLID 5	35
03/06/11	REACH Notification Update and Chemical Management System	140
06/09/11	REACH Audit Findings and EU Experts Sharing	187
	Total no. of beneficiaries - no. of SMEs	: 615
	no. of companies which are <u>not</u> SMEs	: 0

2.6 Future Plan for Promoting the Project Deliverables

To make use of EHS Centre website and upload the seminar materials and leaflets.

To maintain EHS Centre as a technical support for SME REACH enquiry