

Opening address

Biocides Stakeholders' Day

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Welcome to Helsinki!



1 September – a symbolic date



200 EXTERNAL PARTICIPANTS

23 COUNTRIES

-  Canada
-  Turkey
-  Switzerland
-  USA
-  Many EU member states

114 SMEs

137
INDIVIDUAL
COMPANIES

16
ASSOCIATIONS

including...

- 63** Biocidal Product Formulators
- 29** Consultancies
- 24** Active substance manufacturers
- 10** Non-EU manuf. or formulators
- 10** Member State Authorities

Interact with us

- Follow reactions on twitter:
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- Submit questions using the hashtag:
#BiocidesDay

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echa.europa.eu/shdqa



Programme

- Article 95 and Union authorisation
- Support for applicants
- Changes in regulatory aspects
- Speakers from industry, the Commission, Member States and ECHA



2015 milestones



Key milestones for 2015

- Article 95: **156** applications by 31 August and **101** approved
- Union authorisation: First 13 applications received
- More applications result in more revenue partly to be used to improve the IT tools
- To-date: 63 opinions adopted by the Biocidal Product Committee

Learning and networking

You are the key players – use the day to your advantage!

- Full day together
 - Latest updates
 - Best practice
- Visit the IT-tool information stands
 - R4BP
 - IUCLID
 - SPC Editor
- One-to-one sessions
- Meet ECHA staff at the end of the day



I wish you a fruitful and
productive day!

