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REACH (*Registration, Evaluation and Authorisation of Chemicals*) is a European Community Regulation on chemicals and their safe use for humans and environment (EC 1907/2006) that entered into force on 1 June 2007. The REACH Regulation passes the responsibility of managing the risks from chemicals from administrations to industry. Manufacturers and importers are required to gather information on the properties of their chemical substances and to register the information in the central database of the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA).

The REACH regulation constitutes one of the main concerns of the European the ceramic and glass industries, users of chemical products.

The objective of this workshop is to put together the actors involved in the ceramic and glass industries. It envisages promoting the discussion between the participants and the invited representatives of the European Commission and of the major associations of the sector.

## The following talks are already confirmed:

"ECHA's activities on REACH implementation" Pilar Rodriguez Iglesias. Head of Unit – A.1 Guidance & Helpdesk. ECHA (European Chemicals Agency).

"REACH & Supply chain communication" Mercedes Viñas

Manager Chemical Regulation. CEFIC (European Chemical Industry Council)

"REACH-Compliance obligations for downstream users in the ceramic industry". Astrid Volckaert.

CERAME-UNIE (European Ceramic Industry Association)

"Technical implications of REACH in the refractory industry". Manuel Miranda. Director of Refractories and Raw Materials Department. Fundación ITMA. Representive of ANFRE-PRE "Technical implications of REACH in the ceramic industries". Mª Jesús Ibáñez. Health and Safety Unit. Instituto de Tecnología Cerámica - AICE.

"The variety of REACH scenarios for industrial minerals: from Annex V to Annex XV" Roger Doome.

Technical Director – IMA-Europe (Industrial Mineral Association)

"IP and Frit Consortium: Challenges for 2010". Manuel Breva. General Secretary of Inorganic Pigments and Frits Consortiums

"High Temperature Insulation Wool: Take chances – prevent from risks" Miguel Campos. Spanish delegate ECFIA (European Ceramic Fibres Association)

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