

OECD PFAS Working Group – 2023 Agenda (Jan 23, 2023 meeting)

The OECD WG on PFAS meeting agenda focused the attention on the activities in progress and those forecasted in 2023-4, according to budget resources.

Interested Countries could update or propose the “Country Profile” on the dedicated PFAS Group portal (<https://www.oecd.org/chemicalsafety/portal-perfluorinated-chemicals/>), with particular attention paid to the exchange of information about “PFAS strategy for risk reduction and related supporting initiatives. Interested Countries could contact the OECD PFAS Group secretariat at: ehscont@oecd.org .

Shortly (within next February 2023) the first draft of a report on hazard profile of the PVC alternatives will be opened for comments. The following other reports have been planned:

- Understanding the life cycle of poly-fluoro poly-ethers;
- Understanding the life cycle of fluoro-polymers;
- Report on the commercial availability and current use of PFAS alternatives in: a) Cosmetics; b) Hydraulic oils and lubricants.

A OECD “Global Forum” on PFAS is scheduled in 2024, with a focus on risk management and transition towards alternatives. The main topics proposed for information and shared experiences among Countries are:

- Case-studies for the management
- Risk communication
- Test development and validation
- Contamination and Remediation
- Management of PFAS in waste and recycling and PFAS in wastestreams

The indicative date for the Global Forum is around Feb 13, 2024, as side-event of the CBS meeting. The alternative date is on the end of Sept 2024 (WPRM Meeting).

The OECD WG PFAS group will organize new webinars in 2023. One topic proposed is about PFAS toxicity.

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