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Precious Metals & Rhenium Consortium
Gold Work Group

13 March 2018 | Teleconference
10:45 – 11:30



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1. Welcome and introduction



Competition law and confidentiality

| DO | DON'T |
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| <u>Application of competition law</u> | |
| Art. 101 and 102 TFEU may be applicable to the conclusion of any preliminary agreement and activities of any preliminary phase. | Don't assume that conflicts with competition law are excluded simply by the fact that the Agreement complies with the provisions of the REACH Regulation. |
| <u>Consultation in Matters of Competition Law</u> | |
| Consult an in-house legal expert or the compliance officer of your company or an external lawyer whenever there are uncertainties respecting compliance with competition law. Stop all meetings/discussions which are not in compliance with these Compliance Guidelines until a legal expert has been involved. | Don't assume that these Compliance Guidelines deal with all competition law issues exhaustively. Basically, compliance with Art. 101 and 102 TFEU can be determined only on the basis of market impact in each individual case. These Compliance Guidelines may therefore be regarded only as a means of providing general conduct recommendations. |
| <u>Activities in any preliminary phase and at any other stage of operation of the Consortium</u> | |
| Restrict cooperation within the scope of the preliminary phase to the initially defined goals and purposes of the cooperation. | Pursuant to Art. 101 and 102 TFEU, activities which have the object of the effect of preventing, restricting and/or distorting competition are prohibited within the scope of this Agreement, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Coming to agreement, including arrangements or collusions, about prices, markets and customers (see Art. 101 paragraph 1 a)-e) TFEU); - Joint boycotting of other companies; - The unjustified unequal treatment of trade partners; - The abusive exploitation of a dominating market position. |

| DO | DON'T |
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| <u>Exchange of Confidential Information</u> | |
| Involve a Trustee for the exchange of Confidential Information. | The exchange of Information concerning market behaviour and having the object or the effect of preventing, restricting and/or distorting competition is inadmissible; in particular, this relates to : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Production capacities; - Productions or sales volumes; - Import volumes; - Market shares; - Price policy; - Distribution and marketing terms; - Marketing strategies; - Information regarding the relationship with suppliers. |
| <u>Documentation on Cooperation</u> | |
| Keep minutes of all meetings which detail the subject of the meeting. In case of uncertainty, have the contents of the minutes reviewed by an external legal expert prior to sending them to all parties of the Agreement. Stop all meetings which are not in compliance with these Guidelines until a legal expert has been involved. | |



Tour de Table & Apologies

[See participants list in supplementary documents]

Approval of the draft agenda

1. Welcome and Introduction
2. Registration update Gold compounds
3. Gold literature review
4. Budget
5. AOB, next meetings/calls and closing remarks

Approval of minutes from previous WG meeting

- The previous Au Work Group meeting was hold on 17 October 2017
- Draft minutes were distributed on 8 March 2018

Are the minutes of the WG meeting held on 17/10/2017 approved?



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2. Registration update Gold compounds



Registration status

| Dossier | Status |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Gold | Registration finalised |
| Balsams | Registration finalised |
| Aurio | Registration finalised |
| Tetrachloroauric acid | Registration finalised |



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3. Gold literature review



Ecotoxicity and environmental fate

Environmental toxicology string:

(gold) AND (ecotox* OR mortality OR reproduction OR toxicity OR acute OR chronic OR subchronic OR sublethal OR NOEC OR NOEL OR BCF OR QSAR OR inhibition growth OR inhibition respir*) AND (water OR soil OR sediment OR activated sludge OR algae OR fish OR pisces OR trout OR bacteria OR daphnia OR invertebrate OR vertebrate OR waterflea OR microorganism OR amphibian OR plant OR earthworm OR bird)

Environmental fate string:

(gold) AND (water OR sediment OR soil OR suspended matter OR particulate matter) AND (distribution OR partition OR bioaccumulation OR bioconcentration)

Search has been performed and screening is ongoing.

Human toxicity

- Previously (adapted from silver, EBRC): databases in STN international
 - search 'gold'
 - search toxic
 - automatic removal ecotox/environmental studies

→ Any further suggestions?

Request a proposal from Bibra.



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4. Budget



Opportunities of improvement

| Code | Description | Field | Substance | Priority |
|------------|--|---------------------|-----------|----------------------------|
| Au1 | IUCLID update to IU6 format | Other | All | Low |
| Au2 | Read-Across update | Read-Across | All | Low |
| Au3 | Flammability: Key study calculated | Phys-Chem | TCA | Low |
| Au4 | PROC26 to be added to the occ. ES | Exposure assessment | TCA | Performed with next update |
| Au5 | Self-ignition: Expert judgement waiver | Phys-Chem | Balsams | Low |

2019 Budget projections

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|---|-----------------|
| 3. Au metal | 22.927 € |
| 3.1 REACH registration | 0 € |
| 3.2 REACH dossier maintenance | 11.000 € |
| 3.3 REACH evaluation | 0 € |
| 3.4 REACH classification & labelling | 0 € |
| 3.5 REACH authorisation | 0 € |
| 3.6 Internal and external fixed Scientific Managers | 10.070 € |
| 3.7 IUCLID IT hosting system | 476 € |
| 3.8 Knowledge Management tool + hosting | 905 € |
| 3.9 SIEF communication tool | 476 € |
| 4. Au compounds | 47.997 € |
| 4.1 REACH registration | 0 € |
| 4.2 REACH dossier maintenance | 16.000 € |
| 4.3 REACH evaluation | 0 € |
| 4.4 REACH classification & labelling | 0 € |
| 4.5 REACH authorisation | 0 € |
| 4.6 Internal and external fixed Scientific Managers | 20.140 € |
| 4.7 IUCLID IT hosting system | 476 € |
| 4.8 Knowledge Management tool + hosting | 905 € |
| 4.9 SIEF communication tool | 476 € |
| 4.10 Science budget | 10.000 € |



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5. Closing remarks



Closing remarks

- A.O.B.
- Actions summary
- Conclusions
- Next meetings:
 - PMC General Assembly meeting: **5-6 June 2018, Liege**
 - WG meeting: **9-11 October 2018, Brussels**



THANK YOU

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