

# THE MISSING LINK

SIEFreach: connecting the dots to REACH compliance

# REACH OBLIGATIONS ON DATA SHARING IN SUBSTANCE INFORMATION EXCHANGE FORUM (SIEF)

If you intend to register substances under REACH and have pre-registered, you must:

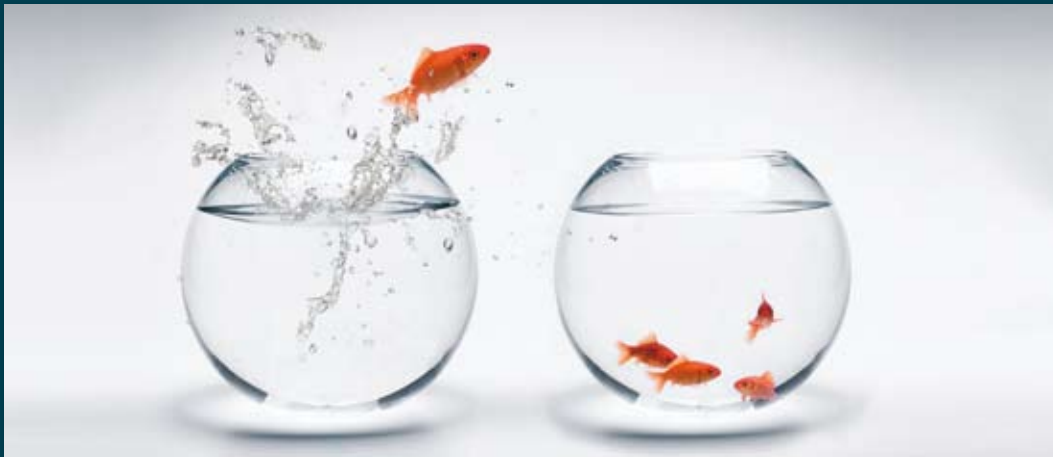
- Share data, only for REACH purposes, with other companies that have pre-registered the same substance
- Agree on Classification and Labelling
- Arrange preparation of joint Registration Dossier

The REACH Regulation prescribes that this should be done in a SIEF.

**REACH Regulation (Article 29) requests that** “All potential registrants, downstream users and third parties [...] shall be participants in a substance information exchange forum (SIEF)”. **The aim of each SIEF shall be to:**

→ “facilitate, for the purposes of registration, the exchange of the information” ←  
AND  
→ “agree on classification and labelling” ←

## REACHLINK, THE COMPANY



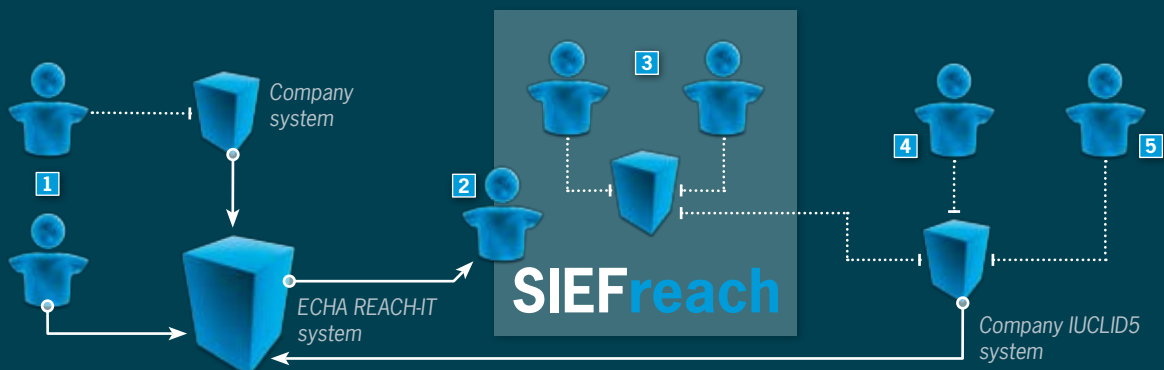
There are no tools made available by ECHA to assist companies in working in SIEFs. To help industry members with the SIEF process, CEFIC and the German (VCI), French (UIC), Italian (Federchimica), UK (CIA) and Spanish (FEIQUE) Chemical Associations founded the company ReachLink SA (*Soci ete Anonyme*).

ReachLink developed SIEFreach - a web based platform that enables and manages a company's Pre-SIEF and SIEF communication. This platform helps companies in communication and collaboration, with the ultimate goal of arranging the preparation of the joint Registration Dossier.

[www.siefreach.com](http://www.siefreach.com)

# SIEFREACH: THE PLATFORM

SIEFreach helps you get there with maximum ease and efficiency:



- 1 Pre-Registration data to ECHA
- 2 Export Pre-SIEF data to SIEFreach
- 3 Pre-SIEF / SIEF collaboration
- 4 Prepare joint Registration Dossier
- 5 Submit (joint) Registration Dossier

**An effective process:** a single place for all communication between SIEF participants which prevents the need for extensive e-mail exchange

**A long-lasting secure solution:** the platform is guaranteed to be operational until at least 2018 with defined access for different SIEF participants

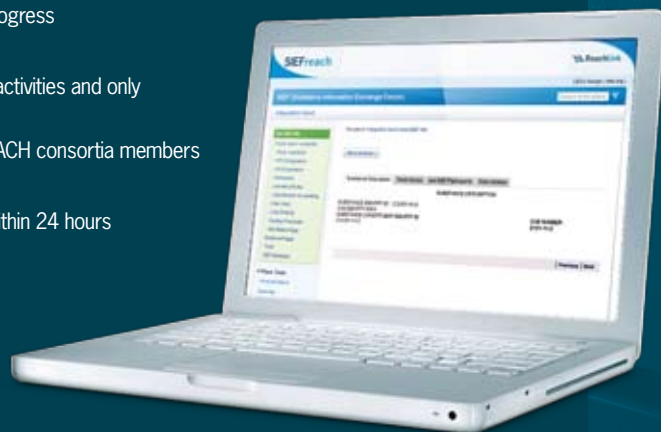
**Lower operational costs:** compared to e-mail exchange, this platform will save an estimated 20% on overhead (*time and resources*) per substance

In developing SIEFreach, the goal was to create an industry-wide platform that is robust, comprehensive and easy to use. Major chemical companies participated in designing the platform to ensure that SIEFreach provides all the functionalities you need:

- A tool to perform sameness discussions (*Pre-SIEF*)
- Seamless and transparent communication between parties
- Easy data sharing and agreement on classification and labelling
- Pre-defined SIEF user roles, each with specific responsibilities and secure access
- Simple tracking of all discussions and decisions about a substance during the SIEF life cycle
- Controlled access and secured communication
- No duplication of effort due to the use of ECHA pre-registration data
- Facilitates the preparation of joint Registration Dossiers

## SIEFREACH IN ACTION

- A 'non paying' section for Pre-SIEF members provides easy access to a substance name, an overview of SIEF participants and availability of participants' studies
- Easy splitting and merging of SIEFs
- A status page gives an indication of SIEF requirements progress
- Voting capabilities support the decision making process
- Possibility to create "tailor-made" user pages for REACH activities and only REACH activities (*e.g. for REACH consortium activities*)
- Customised and secured page for discussions by the REACH consortia members
- Daily back up of data to prevent data loss
- A recovery system ensures that the platform is running within 24 hours
- Processes and procedures are consistent for all SIEFs



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