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Regulatory Risk Analysis Summit 2019 Meeting nanosafety needs across disciplines and domains Dec 4-5, 2019, the Netherlands

Nanotechnologies are characterized by a legacy of already marketed and manufactured nanomaterials (NMs), nano-enabled products and continuously growing research activities, resulting in new materials, devices and applications across a multitude of sectors.

Methods and approaches for risk analysis are challenged by the novelty and uniqueness of nanomaterials. A growing set of risk data and information are needed to keep pace with innovation. Both material and product-specific regulatory frameworks worldwide, are introducing specific requirements for nanomaterials, although effective implementation is often challenged by a lack of guidance and data.

Risk assessors and risk managers, within regulatory and inspection bodies and industry, struggle to gain an overview of knowledge fragmented across a multitude of regulatory domains. As a result, commonly shared risk assessment questions and issues remain unresolved. In addition, present regulatory research agendas focus only on particular domains of application (e.g. REACH) and often do not consult regulatory risk assessors who deal directly with dossiers. This creates missed opportunities in building the appropriate weight of evidence to address regulatory information gaps.

The **Regulatory Risk Analysis Summit** will provide a forum to discuss risk assessment needs and expectations of stakeholders across disciplines and domains, and together find solutions to address the complexity of risk analysis for nanomaterials. Participants will:

- Share lessons: facilitating mutual learning amongst experts and stakeholders in an interdisciplinary and inter-domain fashion.
- **Identify priorities:** ensuring most urgent scientific information needs and regulatory issues are integrated in policy research agenda, in support to regulatory oversight and compliance.
- **Promote harmonization:** finding common solutions to relevant topics such as data gaps, test guidelines and harmonization of methods.
- Identify operational research agendas: translate nano-specific issues in inputs for research agendas, funding mechanisms and other incentives to support and further develop risk analysis approaches, knowledge and data.

This forum is part of a longer term initiative to build greater interaction across domains and disciplines within regulation and will create a mechanism through which regulatory stakeholders can share priorities, learnings and good practice.

Who should attend?

Policy makers, regulatory bodies, companies and other stakeholders involved in managing novel and emerging risks. Participants are encouraged from a broad spectrum of disciplines. The forum will be highly interactive and participants should have sufficient risk management, regulatory and policy experience to be able to contribute to discussions.

The Gov4Nano approach

The EU H2020 <u>Gov4Nano Project</u> aims to develop an efficient and agile **European governance** system with a Nano Risk Governance Council (NRGC) for identifying and addressing regulatory risk assessment, management and communication issued for nanomaterials and nano-enabled products. The two-day **Regulatory Risk Assessors Summit** aims to provide a podium for risk assessors from a broad spectrum of disciplines, and from both industry and regulatory agencies.



Venue

We invite you as an expert in risk assessment to participate in the **Regulatory Risk Assessors Summit** under Gov4Nano. RIVM, coordinator and partner in Gov4Nano, hosts this workshop for participants from different regulatory domains, disciplines and organisations.

Where and When ?: RIVM, Bilthoven (The Netherlands) at 4-5 December, 2019

Save the Date and Registration

The organizing committee will ensure a balanced representation of risk assessors from different domains, disciplines, background, organisations and countries.

Places are limited to 60 and applicants will be requested to summarise briefly their experience, with Gov4Nano reserving the right to prioritise delegate places to applicants that meet the capabilities above.

Register before September 30, 2019 and **confirmation of registration will be sent by October 2nd, 2019**. Delegates should ensure that they have relevant travel permissions in place, if required.

Registration link: https://www.formdesk.com/rivm/Gov4Nano-RRAS-2019

