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TSG Consulting reinforces importance of effective substance ID at Biocides Europe

KNARESBOROUGH, UK – 3 December 2019: TSG Consulting, a leading regulatory and scientific consulting organization, today opens its booth at Biocides Europe 2019 in Vienna, Austria. As part of the two-day conference, TSG's Steven Buchanan, former ECHA Scientific Officer, will speak on the impact of substance ID on read-across, data sharing and testing, and its strategic implication for active substance approvals under the [Biocidal Products Regulation \(EU\) No. 528/2012 \(BPR\)](#).

“Substances are generally identified by their name, chemical composition and numerical identifiers,” says [Steven Buchanan](#), Senior Chemistry & REACH Consultant, TSG Consulting and Former ECHA Scientific Officer. “Substance identification is important for hazard and risk communication, establishing whether two or more compositions are the same, and for facilitating data sharing. It is also the basis for the BPR dossier and subsequent evaluation. Getting it wrong has a big impact on other parts of the dossier and subsequent processes.”

“To ensure as smooth an approval process as possible, there are a number of things that chemical companies can do,” continues Buchanan. “This includes reviewing the identity of substances as soon as possible and ensuring that all parties who have the same substance have the same substance identity. It is also important to engage ECHA and/or Member State Competent Authorities when appropriate on areas such as technical equivalence or chemical similarity checks; and TSG can help facilitate these meetings.”

Key consultants within the biocides regulatory team will also be available on TSG Consulting's booth throughout the conference. These include: [Amy Burrows](#), Head of Biocides & Cosmetics; [Séverine Macke](#), Senior Biocides Consultant; [Melina Henne](#), Senior Regulatory Consultant; and [Simon Scarrott](#), Senior Human Health Risk Assessment Consultant.

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