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"İMMİB REACH, CLP & Biocidal Helpdesk" acts as an Industrial Helpdesk under Ministry of Economy in Turkey. Turkish REACH and CLP Helpdesk is restructured as Biocidal Helpdesk after 01/09/2013. İMMİB REACH, CLP & Biocidal Helpdesk has also been integrated to EU National REACH&CLP & Biocidal Helpdesks through REACH&CLP HelpNet Meetings organised by European Chemical Agency since 2008.

Turkey is regarded as a 3rd country (non-EU). There is no direct obligation but need to obey the rules under Regulations not to loose the market. The aim of the helpdesk is to help Turkish exporters to comply with EU Regulations and to encourage them being reliable partners in the EU market, to raise companies' awareness about obligations/duties and its developments,

We have a BPR website (http://biyosidal.immib.org.tr/), recent news from industry in Europe were followed-up by accessing to online news service (ChemicalWatch etc.). Selected information were announced from the website accordingly. Also we'll plan to establish its English version.On the other side Guidances, FAQ's, BPR leaflet which are pressed by ECHA has been translated into Turkish and will published in our web site.

BPR bulletins were prepared and they were also distributed electronically to member companies who produce and export biocidal products, chambers of industry and industry assocations. European Chemicals Agency visited us about BPR at 30 September 2013.

Also we carried out BPR TAIEX Events with the collaboration of Ministry of Economy and Ministry of Health. A "Workshop on Biocidal Products Regulation (528/2012) and Practices" was organised in co-operation with Ministry of Economy (6-7 June 2013) with 75 participants from industry and related parts. Also a TAIEX Study Visit on Biocidal Products Regulation with Istituto Superiore di Sanita (ITALY) was organised in co-operation with Ministry of Health in 5-9 May 2014.

We also take part in Turkish draft regulations studies. Communiques had been published by the Ministry Of Health and been circulated with stakeholders and industry associations. We raise companies awareness about these regulation developments in Turkey.