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HAZBREF: Hazardous Chemicals in IED BREFs
WP 3: Policy Improvement

Objective of WP 3:
- Improve collaboration between EU institutions (ECHA, EIPPCB, TWGs); enhance capacity of authorities/operators to reduce releases of hazardous substances by better data use, guidance
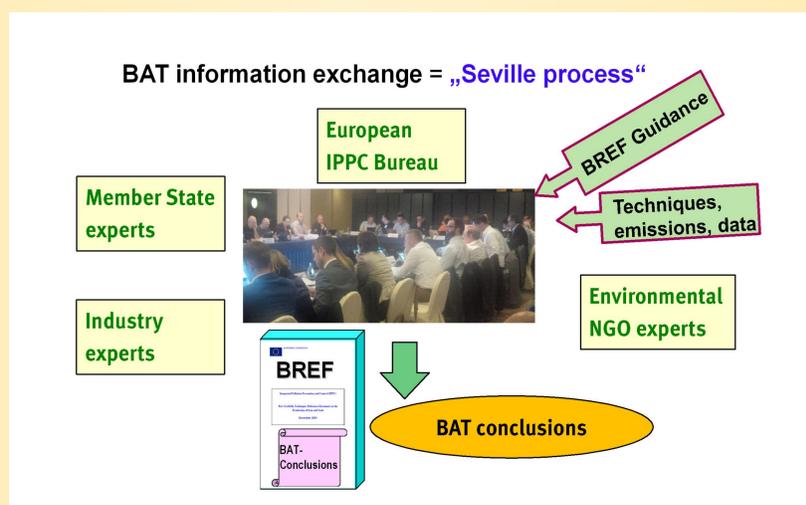
Collaborators of WP 3:
German Environ. Agency (UBA), Finnish Environment Institute (SYKE), Swedish EPA (SEPA), associated Partners

Current task: Report that analyses interfaces, synergies and gaps between IED, REACH, WFD, MSFD, HELCOM concerning hazardous substances/ development of proposals for improvements (legal frameworks, communication, data flow, examples for work practice)

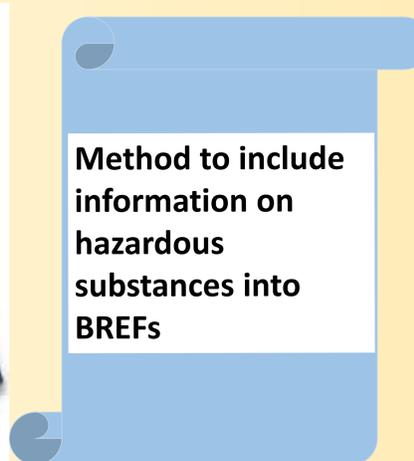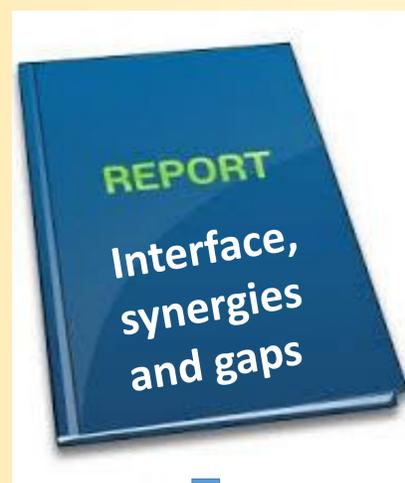**REACH working groups, (extended) safety data sheets risk reduction measures, etc.**

WFD/MSFD working groups on priority substances

Circular economy aspects

HELCOM

POP Regulation

BAT information exchange = „Seville process"

European IPPC Bureau

Member State experts

Industry experts

BREF Guidance

Techniques, emissions, data
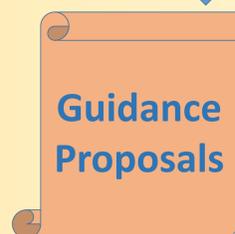
Environmental NGO experts

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BAT-Conclusions

BAT conclusions

- Communication and data flow
- work practices in supporting Technical Working Groups (TWGs) in the different frameworks
- potentials for a better use of information and result from other pieces of legislation
- identification of stakeholders and their roles
- experience about work practice of involved institutions in real life including shortcomings/ implementation failures
- practical obstacles for implementation

REPORT
Interface, synergies and gaps

Method to include information on hazardous substances into BREFs

- jointly elaborated procedure for addressing hazardous substances more systematically in BREFs
  ➡ work flow between involved institutions and experts
- method how to include newest information into BREFs
- improvements of cooperation and information exchange in the BREF process

Guidance Proposals

- Recommendations aiming at facilitating permitting/enforcement of REACH and IED provisions
- Elements for guidance how to act at interface of REACH/BREFs
- Proposals for improved communication and information flow between BREF and REACH stakeholders

Close cooperation and coordination with WP 2 and 4

Questions to Stakeholders:
- Do you see a need for better linking BAT and REACH/WFD-provisions?
- Do you see knowledge or enforcement gaps at the interfaces?
- Practical experience in your country/work experience? Weaknesses? Proposals?