

# Circular Economy Policy Making for Traceability of Chemicals along Value Chains

15th of October 2024, Brussels



**Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences and  
German Environment Agency (UBA)**

## Circular Economy: Policy Making for Traceability of Chemicals along Value Chains

### Save the Date

Date: Tuesday, October 15th, 2024  
Time: 09:00 - 19:30 h  
Location: Vertretung des Landes Hessen bei der EU,  
21, Rue Montoyer, 1000 Brussels  
Organiser: Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences /  
German Environment Agency (UBA)

In the EU Interreg project ECHT, actors along the textile value chain (H&M, LIST, Inditex, Puma, Team2, etc.) are convinced that the traceability of chemicals in their products is an essential prerequisite for meeting the objectives of the Sustainable Textiles Strategy. As part of the project, roadmaps for the implementation of chemicals traceability in the industry will be developed – complemented by a policy action plan.

For this reason, together with the German Federal Environment Agency (UBA), the Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences is organizing a one-day event dedicated to this topic. Based on the project results from ECHT and expert contributions from the textile value chains and NGOs, the event aims to promote an active exchange with relevant stakeholders from industry and policy-makers. After briefly presenting interesting insights and intermediate results from the ECHT project including the development of two potential future scenarios as well as a Theory of Change, the event addresses important issues such as:

- How do we overcome barriers that block the path to chemicals traceability?
- How can chemicals traceability requirements be reconciled with legitimate confidentiality requirements?
- How can stakeholders at the end of the life cycle benefit from full traceability of the chemicals contained in products?
- How can chemicals traceability be applied through global value chains?

## Agenda

09:00 - 09:30	Start of the event
09:30 - 09:45	Greeting Hessian representation / Greeting: German Environment Agency (UBA) and Darmstadt University of Applied Sciences
09:45 - 11:00	Keynotes by companies, recyclers, NGOs*and academia (*so far confirmed: Chemsec, ClientEarth; Zero Waste Europe)  Interim results research project on chemical traceability by Darmstadt University of Applied Science and German Environment Agency (UBA)
11:00 - 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 - 12:00	Q&A session
12:00 - 13:00	Lunch break / networking
13:00 - 14:45	Workshop session part 1: Policy Action Plan
14:45 - 15:15	Coffee break
15:15 - 17:00	Workshop session part 2: Policy Action Plan
17:00 - 17:30	Reflection and closing
17:30 - 19:30	Drinks & networking

If you are interested in taking part in this event, please send an e-mail to

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Registration is open until August 18th, 2024.

As this is a live event, places are limited. After the registration deadline, we will inform you as soon as possible whether you have received one of the limited places.

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