Meeting with Cefic on Regulatory Management Option Analysis (RMOA)
Friday 3 July by Microsoft Teams

Participants:
DG GROW: 
Cefic: 

Cefic had requested a meeting to discuss Regulatory Management Option Analysis (RMOA) in the framework of the Chemical Strategy for Sustainability. Cefic presented their view of the RMOA and how it would fit into the next generation chemicals policy in the EU. Cefic outlined the concrete benefits RMOA could have in the EU in terms of increased transparency and predictability.

Related topics discussed were essential-non-essential uses and mixture assessment factors. These two concepts were for instance included in the European Parliament Resolution. On essential/non-essential uses, Cefic notes the difficulties in defining the concept and is concerned about the distortions on the market. Cefic referred to a recent paper published by SSRN: https://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.3596140. On mixture assessment factor, Cefic referred to a study by L. Posthuma “Screening-level estimates of environmental release rates, predicted exposures and toxic pressures of currently used chemicals” and expressed their concern that the approach, if implemented, would lack a scientific basis and could possibly lead to a reduction in the number of substances allowed to be used in formulations.

DG GROW thanked Cefic for the discussion and informed about the next steps of the chemical strategy for sustainability where the inter-service consultation is expected to be launched within the coming days.