



**Impact of REACH on innovation**  
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## **Innovation**

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- **Research and development is not the same as innovation!**
- **At least REACH compared to NONS is not adding an additional barrier for innovation**
- **Is REACH really triggering innovation?**
  - **Or are companies looking to exchange one substance by another substance due to**
    - **Costs of REACH?**
    - **Presence on the Candidate List or the Authorisation List?**
- **At least companies are mentioning REACH related research activities**

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- Same study should be repeated after the 2018 deadline
- Difficulty is to measure independently the influence of REACH on innovation
  - Research programs Horizon 2020
  - What will happen, a European patent?
  - Do we stop the brain drain?
  - Will the result of European research contribute to innovation in Europe or outside Europe?
- Will require close collaboration

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**Thanks for your attention**

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