

Addressing the future availability of in-can preservation

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NEED OF PT6

Why do detergents, paints, printing inks and artist colours need protection?

- Water-based products are food for microorganisms
- Because most products are no more based on solvents (Legislation on VOC)
- Variety of modes of action to prevent bacterial tolerance develop (like resistance to antibiotics)



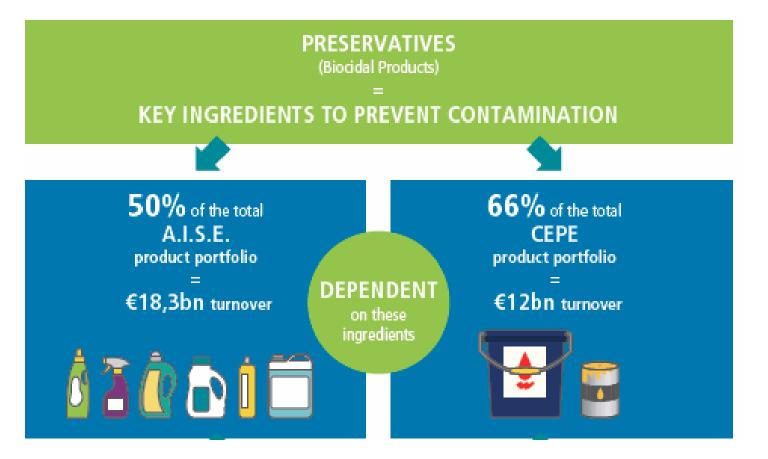
BENEFITS OF PRESERVATIVES

- Preserve products from degradation ->
 - Answer to circular economy (sustainable society) Less waste, more durability, less use of natural resources
 - Helps limiting global warming
 Less production, less transport = less CO2 emission
- Allow existence of water-based products, reduce VOC emission in air, reduce atmospheric pollution



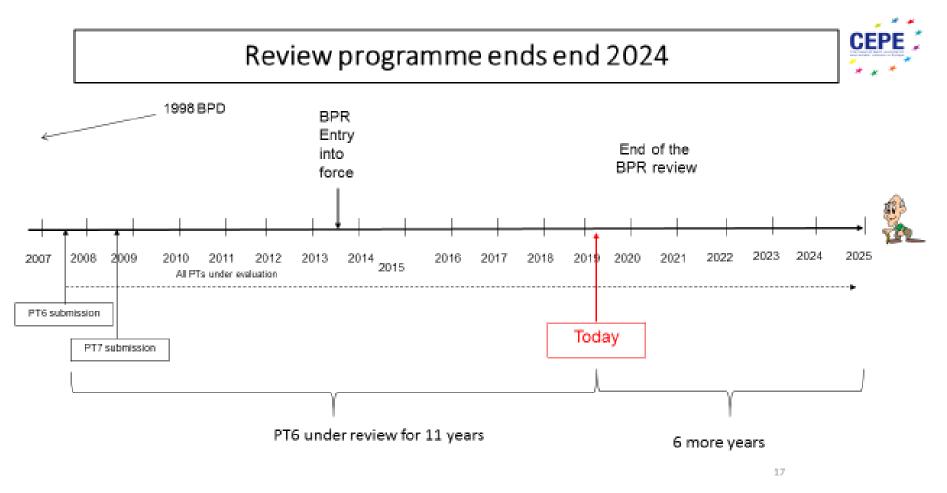
BENEFITS OF PRESERVATIVES

• Our industries heavily depend on preservatives:





Users of biocidal products follow the review programme with concern





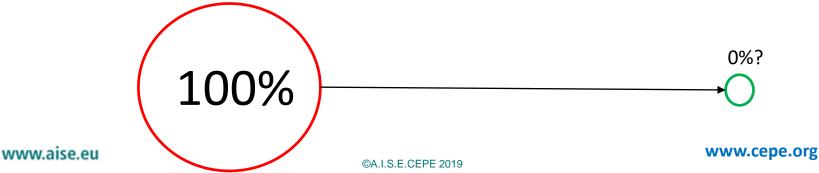
Why is it a problem as 50 PT6 substances potentially available?

On paper:

- 47 existing PT6 active substances
- 3 'new'

In reality:

- Many technically incompatible
- Not always supported for our products
- CLP classifications through RAC trigger BPR Art 5 and Art 10 – Hazard based approach





Is it a new problem?

• For PT6 (and PT7) we have warned 5 years ago that a crisis could come, now we are almost there



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(45) For many years, downstream users of in-can preservatives have expressed concerns about the possible reduction of the availability of safe preservatives that might have a negative impact on their ability to adequately preserve their products and impact their businesses¹⁹. Industry has been encouraged in past CA meetings to invest into R&D in order to use safer in-can preservatives currently approved or in the review programme, and to develop chemical or non-chemical alternatives to the problematic active substances.

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OUR CONCERNS ARE TWO FOLD

Two main issues:

- Review of preservative actives independent of each other, not same timing -> Does not allow consideration of the general need of preservation
- BPR bans consumer treated articles classified as skin sensitizers despite available hazard warning under CLP



INNOVATION

- BPD and BPR push for innovation
- Not really possible to bring new substances
- Innovation at product level (treated articles) exists

But, still heavy challenges ahead, need solution under the BPR in the short-term



Why are we here today?

- Past experience with some Biocide PTs showed that at some point there is a need to solve a crisis
- Today:
 - Exchange information
 - Get a good understanding of the preservation problem
 - Question Industry experts, clarify innovation
 - Discuss if CLP is sufficient to communicate hazard to consumers
 - Identify potential solutions within the BPR framework



Exchange information with expert

The future availability of preservatives

- Hanne Jensen
- R&D Manager Biology Jotun A/S

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