



International Material Data System

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(IMDS Model Office Next rollout July 7th, 2016)
Production rollout 12th/13th November 2016
IMDS Chemistry Manager module rollout 14th/15th January 2017

IMDS Release 11.0 Information

IMDS Release 11.0 production rollout is currently planned for **12th / 13th November 2016 (during a weekend)**. For this release, the rollout process, including a longer testing period (one month for feedback and a three-month for testing), will be applied prior to production of IMDS Release 11.0 since it is impacting IMDS Advanced interface (IMDS-AI).

1. REACH Annex XIV and Biocidal Product Regulation information for MDSs using the 'IMDS Chemistry Manager'

The IMDS Chemistry Manager functionality will allow users to enter Biocidal Product (BPR) and REACH Annex XIV regulatory information for Material MDSs and components. This functionality will only be available to users with a new privilege that can be assigned to them by a Company Administrator. Anybody with this user privilege will anonymously be able to send a request to the creator of an MDS to enter the regulatory information or update it if it is incomplete. It will also be possible to send these anonymous requests for references within accepted MDSs. Once the MDS creator releases a new version of the regulatory information, it will instantaneously be made available for everybody who can view this MDS. This will allow for a quick distribution of BPR and REACH Annex XIV data among the supply chain. Companies whose components/materials are never used in supply chains inside the European Union will not receive any requests for entering regulatory information and therefore, do not need to worry about this enhancement.

For a detailed description of this enhancement please see the detailed release information document.

IMDS-AI (Advanced Interface) relevance? YES

(All IMDS-AI licensees will be separately informed by email concerning the IMDS-AI changes.)



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2. Mark own MDSs as 'obsolete'

Each company will be able to mark own MDSs as 'obsolete'. With this new function, companies have the ability to make use of own, good-quality MDSs only. Own MDSs marked as 'obsolete' can also be searched for with a check box in the MDS Search screens and Outbox. A Warning message will be displayed during the MDS check to show usage of an own 'obsolete' MDS so the user can replace this MDS. Company Administrators will grant this access right to certain users of the company and users with this access right could be searched for in the User Search screen.

IMDS-AI (Advanced Interface) relevance? YES

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3. Allow Forwarding for Material MDS (MMDSs)

The already existing and well-known forwarding process for components and semi-components will be applied as well for MMDSs. This will allow the user to forward a received and accepted MMDS to a customer while keeping the original material composition and backtracking to the original MMDS.

IMDS-AI (Advanced Interface) relevance? YES

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4. Final version MDSs must not contain references to preliminary MDSs

The existing MDS check of **own/accepted preliminary MDSs** referenced in a final MDS will be changed from Warning to an **Error message**. The user will not be able to send a final MDS that contains references to own/accepted preliminary MDSs. In addition, the check box for preliminary MDS will be displayed **for sub-references** in any MDS.

IMDS-AI (Advanced Interface) relevance? YES

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5. The checkbox titled “I have declared all GADSL substances” and related check for Material MDSs (MMDSs) will be removed

This declaration has led to misunderstandings for suppliers creating MMDSs. One reason was that materials may contain traces of GADSL substances although these are not in scope of an MMDS declaration in IMDS. Because its meaning was misleading and IMDS Recommendations define how GADSL substances have to be declared in IMDS, this check box and the related check will be removed.

IMDS-AI (Advanced Interface) relevance? YES

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