



# 2024 Global Outlook for chemicals and chemical products:

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Global Outlook. 

## Mid-year review for Europe, Middle East and Africa

Your questions answered



### Can you confirm if F-gases will be discussed from October? Our last information was that the Committees probably won't get to it even in the December meeting.

The PFAS restriction proposal, which includes certain F-gases, is moving through the evaluation stages with ECHA. During our presentation, it was mentioned that F-gases would be looked at from October onwards. As of now, no official update suggests that the review of F-gases will be completed during the December 2024 meeting of the relevant committees.

However, considering the complexity of the analysis, decisions may extend into 2025. ECHA regularly posts about these developments, so we recommend keeping an eye on their official releases and on updates from our team at Chemical Watch News & Insight.

For more insights from experts in this field, you can join us at the ['PFAS Updates Europe 2024'](#) conference on 16 October in Brussels (or virtually).



### Which revision of GHS will be implemented in Ukraine for hazard classification and labeling?

Ukraine adopted the 7th revision of GHS. At Enhesa Product Intelligence, our [GHS Global Regulatory Comparison tool](#) includes a map of versions adopted around the world and snapshots of the global picture for GHS covering 40 jurisdictions.

If you are interested to know more about this tool, contact us.



### Are there any labs that can certify batteries so that we could add a CE mark directly to the battery?

Yes, there are several laboratories and certification bodies that can certify batteries in Europe. Some of the most prominent labs offering testing and certification services are [TÜV SÜD](#), [SGS](#) and [Intertek](#).



## Do you know when ATP 22 will be published in the EU?

The notification had proposed an adoption date in the second quarter of 2024, but that deadline has already passed with no adoption yet. While there's still a chance it could be published in the *Official Journal* later this year, it's more likely to occur in early 2025.



## A general question about scope. Are motorcycle helmets and snowmobile helmets and goggles considered apparel under PFAS regulations in US states? I don't see regulations for PPE outside of firefighting equipment.

Motorcycle helmets, snowmobile helmets and goggles are not usually considered apparel. Helmets are likely to fall under personal protective equipment (PPE), and goggles may be considered a medical device as they are eyewear.

US regulations were not covered in this webinar. For a better understanding of PFAS in the US, we recommend checking the recordings from our conference, **PFAS Updates North America**, held in September and the **Global Outlook for the Americas** webinar for general US updates, including US state-level updates.

### You can find the relevant links here:

**PFAS Updates North America 2024 [On-demand](#)** (for Professional Development members)

If you missed out, you can purchase the conference recording and all the speaker and presentation information to view on demand. Simply email the team at [events@chemicalwatch.com](mailto:events@chemicalwatch.com) to organize this.

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