

## COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS ON THE TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS AND ON THE GLOBALLY HARMONIZED SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION AND LABELLING OF CHEMICALS

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### IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GHS

#### Implementation update

#### Transmitted by the expert from Brazil

The Brazilian Government has been working on the implementation of the GHS, through the GHS Working Group (GT-GHS Brazil) made up of more than 40 governmental and non-governmental institutions.

The activities developed during the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester 2006 are:

- Discussion of the draft for a Presidential Decree, which will be issued soon by the President of Brazil to formalize the Working Group on GHS and develop the national strategies for the implementation of the GHS.
  - Three National Workshops on GHS held in:
    - Rio de Janeiro, in partnership with Labour Inspectorate and Trade Unions (october)
    - Rio de Janeiro, in partnership with Brazilian Association for Fine Chemistry (october)
    - São Paulo, in partnership with National Syndicate of Croplife Protection Industry (november)
  - Presentation on GHS in the course “Chemical Safety and Prevention of Major Industrial Accidents”, organized by FUNDACENTRO, in Sao Paulo (october) and Recife (november).
  - Meetings of the Sub-groups of the GT-GHS Brazil: Confidential Business Information, Publicity, Implementation and Training
  - Ongoing translation of the Purple Book to Portuguese;
  - Ongoing Comprehensibility Study Testing Methodology;
  - Preparatory meeting of the Brazilian delegation for the 12th Session of SCEGHS, on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2006, in Sao Paulo;
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> edition of the GHS Training course (40 h), from 4<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> December, hosted by FUNDACENTRO, in Sao Paulo, with 30 participants.
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