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

### Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals

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#### IMPLEMENTATION OF THE GHS

##### Implementation of the GHS in Brazil

##### Transmitted by the expert from Brazil

- 1998** – Brazil ratify the ILO 170 Convention
- Oct 2000** – Brazil host country of the IFCS III – FORUM III – “Bahia Declaration”
- 2001** – Brazil member country of the Sub-Committee of Experts on the Globally Harmonized System of the Classification and Labelling of Chemicals - ECOSOC
- 2001** – Set up a GHS National Working Group (**GT-GHS**) under the umbrella of the National Commission of Chemical Safety (CONASQ), with the participation of the 22 institutions
- 2001** – Publication of the Brazilian Safety Data Sheet (SDS) regulation
- 2002** – Development of the web-page **GT-GHS** Brazil  
<http://www.desenvolvimento.gov.br/sitio/secex/negInternacionais/claRotSubQuimicas/oquee.php>
- Nov 2002** – National Workshop for the Implementation of the GHS, in Sao Paulo
- 2003** – Participation of the GHS “Dinner Meeting” in the IFCS IV –FORUM IV, in Bangkok - Thailand ,  
- Set up 7 sub-groups of the **GT-GHS**: Terms of Reference, Project on the Implementation of the GHS, Legislation, Training, Laboratories, Glossary, Hazardous Wastes
- Sep 2004** – ‘Workshop Laboratories’ organized by **GT-GHS** in partnership with the Brazilian National Metrology and Standardization Institute (INMETRO), in Sao Paulo  
<http://www.desenvolvimento.gov.br/sitio/secex/negInternacionais/claRotSubQuimicas/CapLaboratorio.php>
- Nov 2004** – South America Regional Workshop on Hazard Communication and GHS Implementation, at Fundacentro, in Sao Paulo: partnership Govern of Brazil (through **GT-GHS**) with UNITAR, ILO, GTZ, Canada and USA  
<http://www.desenvolvimento.gov.br/sitio/secex/negInternacionais/claRotSubQuimicas/WorkshopMercosulAndina.php>

- 2005 –**
- Workshop about Hazard Communication (GHS) and Chemical Accidents – V World Social Forum (28 Jan) – Porto Alegre – Brazil;
  - Consolidation of the National Project for the Implementation of the GHS in 2005 and 2006, by the **GT-GHS**: Awareness Raising, Capacity Building, Legislation, Training, Technical Cooperation, Pilot Projects in the Chemical Industry Chain;
  - Two short courses about the GHS, (Sept and Nov), in Belo Horizonte and Salvador;
  - Awareness activities (seminar and short course) in the area of testing of chemicals and laboratories (Sept and Nov), in Rio de Janeiro;
  - Participation of the **GT-GHS** at the Plenary session and in the organization of a short course about the GHS, in the Brazilian Toxicology Congress, in Recife (9 – 12 Oct);
  - First “Pilot Training” about the GHS – one week training (Nov).
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