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PAGE 2: Section I - Identification

Q1: Please provide the following details (*compulsory):

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Q2: Please indicate if you are responding to this questionnaire on behalf of/as:

d) a consumer organisation/trade union/environmental organisation/non-governmental organisation

Q3: Received contributions may be published on the Commission's website, with the identity of the contributor. Please state your preference with regard to the publication of your contribution:

My contribution may be published under the name indicated

Q4: We might need to contact you to clarify some of your answers. Please state your preference below:

I am available to be contacted

PAGE 3: Section III – Problem definition and objectives

Q5: Please rate the importance of the following objectives on a scale between 1 (not important at all) and 5 (very important).

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| a) Provide decision makers, regulatory authorities and professional users with information that allows for an appropriate response to health or environmental risks of nanomaterials | 5 |
| b) Provide consumers with relevant information on products containing nanomaterials on the market | 5 |
| c) Maintain competitiveness and innovation of businesses bringing nanomaterials or products containing nanomaterials to the market (including SMEs) | 4 |
| d) Ensure consumer trust in products containing nanomaterials | 5 |
| e) Ensure the availability of relevant information on the presence of nanomaterials or products containing nanomaterials on the market | 5 |
| f) Ensure the proportionality of the information requirements and the associated costs and administrative burden. | 3 |
| g) Protect confidential business information | 5 |

Q6: To what degree (from 1 - not at all to 5 - fully) does the current legislative framework (including the REACH and CLP Regulations and product-specific legislation) and the currently available databases (including the JRC web platform, see http://ihcp.jrc.ec.europa.eu/our_databases/web-platform-on-nanomaterials) meet the following objectives?

Respondent skipped this question

Q7: To what extent do you agree with the following statements from 1 (strongly disagree) to 5 (strongly agree):

Respondent skipped this question

PAGE 4: Section IV – Health and environmental aspects

Q8: With regard to health and environmental hazards and risks of specific nanomaterials/types of nanomaterials, please tick the relevant boxes:

Respondent skipped this question

Q9: With regard to the past and current use of nanomaterials (tick the relevant box):

Respondent skipped this question

Q10: The establishment of an EU nanomaterial registry (tick the relevant box):

Would significantly contribute to reducing the health and/or environmental risks related to the use of nanomaterials

PAGE 5: Section V – Consumer trust

Q11: In case information on the presence of nanomaterials in specific products were made available, what impact do you think this would have on consumers? (Please tick all that would apply)

d) They would search for more information, Please explain: they would form the decision either to or not patronise the products.

Q12: Do you believe that the public availability of information on the presence of nanomaterials in products would be likely to...(choose one of the following answers)

Respondent skipped this question

PAGE 6: Section VI - Innovation and competitiveness

Q13: With regard to innovation, do you believe that information on nanomaterials and products containing nanomaterials that could be gathered in a nanomaterial registry would...(choose one of the following answers)

a) stimulate innovation (e.g. through increased consumer trust, increased awareness on nanomaterials)

Q14: With regard to competitiveness of EU companies manufacturing nanomaterials or products containing nanomaterials, do you believe that information on nanomaterials and products containing nanomaterials that could be gathered in a nanomaterial registry would...(tick all that apply)

b) enhance the competitiveness of European companies against extra-EU companies

PAGE 7: Section VIII – Possible options and exemptions

Q15: What would be the added value of a notification per use (i.e. for each mixture/article) compared to a notification per substance? – Please consider the usefulness of the information for public authorities, downstream user companies, workers and consumers.	<i>Respondent skipped this question</i>
Q16: Which actors along the supply chain should be subject to notification requirements? (tick all that apply):	e) Distributors to consumers (e.g. retailers)
Q17: The following should be subject to notification requirements (tick all that apply):	b) Mixtures containing nanomaterials
Q18: Is there a need to exempt certain types of nanomaterials?	No, all kinds of nanomaterials should be subject to notification obligations
Q19: Is there a need to exempt certain uses of nanomaterials?	No, all uses of nanomaterials should be subject to notification obligations

PAGE 8: Section IX – Nanomaterials Observatory

Q20: If a Nanomaterials Observatory is established instead of an EU-wide registry, what type of information should be collected? (please tick all that apply)	e) Information on the hazards and risks of nanomaterials
Q21: How should the information in a Nanomaterials Observatory be presented in order to reach the consumers, workers and authorities?	
through capacity-building workshops, advertisements, open discussions etc.	

PAGE 9: Section X - Potential use and benefits of a nanomaterial registry

Q22: In what ways could the information on nanomaterials from registries be potentially useful (tick all that apply):	d) Development of strategies to ensure the safe use of nanomaterials
Q23: Please give a justification for your views (presented in the previous question) and describe which data would be necessary to allow the desired use (e.g. would information on substances alone be enough for informed consumer purchase decisions, or would this require information for each concerned product):	
information on development of strategies to ensure the safe use of nano materials will inform the consumer to make a choice about the type of naomaterials to use or not to to safe guard the health and the environment.	
Q24: What would be the added value of a European nanomaterial registry beyond the current framework of chemicals legislation, including REACH registration?	
to appeal to the conscience of the consumer to make namomaterials more attractive as a user friendly technology, the well informed the consumer is about the product, the better it will be for marketing and further research for it's development and improvement	

Q25: Please provide any other comments that you would like to share regarding transparency measures for nanomaterials on the market.

regardiing transparency, it will be good to have the hazards likely to arise made public for consumers to make an informed decision on what they have to use so that the final decision and possible health and environmental effects will be a burden of the consumer.