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**PAGE 2: Section I - Identification**

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

Your name:

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

a) an individual

**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 but should be kept anonymous

**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 | 3 |
| b) Provide consumers with relevant information on products containing nanomaterials on the market  | 3 |
| c) Maintain competitiveness and innovation of businesses bringing nanomaterials or products containing nanomaterials to the market (including SMEs)                                  | 5 |
| d) Ensure consumer trust in products containing nanomaterials  | 3 |
| e) Ensure the availability of relevant information on the presence of nanomaterials or products containing nanomaterials on the market   | 3 |
| f) Ensure the proportionality of the information requirements and the associated costs and administrative burden.  | 3 |
| g) Protect confidential business information   | 3 |

**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](http://ihcp.jrc.ec.europa.eu/our_databases/web-platform-on-nanomaterials)) meet the following objectives?**

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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 | 1 |
| b) Provide consumers with relevant information on products containing nanomaterials on the market  | 1 |
| c) Maintain competitiveness and innovation of businesses bringing nanomaterials or products containing nanomaterials to the market (including SMEs)                                  | 1 |
| d) Ensure consumer trust in products containing nanomaterials  | 1 |
| e) Ensure the availability of relevant information on the presence of nanomaterials or products containing nanomaterials on the market   | 1 |
| f) Ensure the proportionality of the information requirements and the associated costs and administrative burden.  | 1 |
| g) Protect confidential business information   | 1 |

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

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|---|---|
| a) The current level of available information on the presence of nanomaterials and products containing nanomaterials on the market is insufficient for an adequate response to health and environmental risks | 2 |
| b) The current level of available information on the presence of nanomaterials and products containing nanomaterials on the market is insufficient for informed consumer choice                               | 2 |
| c) The current level of available information on the presence of nanomaterials and products containing nanomaterials on the market is detrimental to consumer trust   | 2 |
| d) The available information on the presence of nanomaterials and products containing nanomaterials on the market is presented in an incoherent or ineffective way  | 2 |
| e) The establishment of national registries and notification schemes causes market fragmentation and hampers trade within the internal market   | 5 |

**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:**

I am aware of health and/or environmental hazards of specific nanomaterials/types of nanomaterials

I am aware of significant exposure of workers/users/consumers to specific nanomaterials/types of nanomaterials

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

I am aware of health and/or environmental incidents which have occurred

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

Would not 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)**

- b) They would try to avoid those products,
- c) Their purchasing decisions would not be affected
- d) They would search for more information

**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)**

c) generate insecurity or stigmatise such products, and thus have a negative effect on the market for the concerned products

PAGE 6: Section VI - Innovation and competitiveness

<p><b>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)</b></p>	<p>c) hamper innovation in the EU (e.g. through concerns about confidential business information or through additional costs related to providing information)</p>
<p><b>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></p>	<p>e) hamper intra-EU competitiveness, f) hamper the competitiveness of European companies against extra-EU companies</p>

PAGE 7: Section VIII – Possible options and exemptions

<p><b>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.</b></p>	
<p>None</p>	
<p><b>Q16: Which actors along the supply chain should be subject to notification requirements? (tick all that apply):</b></p>	<p>a) Manufacturers of nanomaterials, b) Importers of nanomaterials</p>
<p><b>Q17: The following should be subject to notification requirements (tick all that apply):</b></p>	<p>c) Articles with intended release of nanomaterials</p>
<p><b>Q18: Is there a need to exempt certain types of nanomaterials?</b></p>	<p>Yes, certain types of nanomaterials should be exempted from a notification system</p>
<p><b>Q19: Is there a need to exempt certain uses of nanomaterials?</b></p>	<p>Yes, certain uses of nanomaterials should be exempted from a notification system</p>

PAGE 8: Section IX – Nanomaterials Observatory

<p><b>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)</b></p>	<p>d) Information concerning products containing nanomaterials</p>
<p><b>Q21: How should the information in a Nanomaterials Observatory be presented in order to reach the consumers, workers and authorities?</b></p>	<p><i>Respondent skipped this question</i></p>

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):**

- a) Risk assessment and/or risk management,
- 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):**

*Respondent skipped this question*

**Q24: What would be the added value of a European nanomaterial registry beyond the current framework of chemicals legislation, including REACH registration?**

*Respondent skipped this question*

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

*Respondent skipped this question*