

How the European Commission and the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) set up the EU Database for Information on Substances of Concern In Articles (SCIP database)

Case 1944/2020/TE - Opened on 03/12/2020 - Decision on 03/12/2020 - Institution concerned European Chemicals Agency (No maladministration found)

The case concerned the establishment of a new EU database for information on Substances of Concern In Articles (SCIP database), which was foreseen under EU legislation on waste management (the Waste Framework Directive). The complainant, a European trade association, considered that the mandatory set of information to be provided by suppliers of articles to the European Chemicals Agency (ECHA) goes beyond what is required under separate EU legislation on chemicals (the REACH Regulation).

Based on the information provided by the complainant, the Ombudsman considered that the legal interpretation of the European Commission and ECHA is not manifestly wrong. She therefore found no maladministration and closed the case.