

## Advisory Committee on Hazardous Substances: Terms of reference

- a. To advise the Secretary of State for the Environment, Transport and Regions, the Minister of the Environment, Northern Ireland, the Scottish Ministers, and the First Minister, National Assembly for Wales and other Ministers (hereafter collectively known as "the Ministers") as appropriate on the exercise of the power to make Regulations under Section 140 of the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to prohibit or restrict the importation, use, supply or storage of specified substances or articles including nanomaterials
- b. To advise the Ministers on the exercise of the power to make Regulations under Section 142 to obtain information about potentially hazardous substances including nanomaterials
- c. To advise the UK Chemicals Stakeholder Forum and other bodies as appropriate on criteria, prioritisation and risk assessment of potentially harmful substances including nanomaterials
- d. To advise the Ministers, the UK Chemicals Stakeholder Forum and other bodies as appropriate on research needs and the development of relevant indicators.