

# Covestro Corporate Commitment

Responsible handling of our products on a global scale



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The Global Product Strategy (GPS) was introduced by <u>ICCA</u> in 2006 at the UN International Conference on Chemicals Management in Dubai as a contribution to the inter-governmental <u>SAICM</u> (Strategic Alignment of International Chemicals Management).

It was in response both to new global challenges for the chemical industry (e.g. REACH regulation), and to stakeholders requiring the chemical industry to demonstrate that they produce and handle chemicals in a responsible way and that their products are safe for humans and the environment when used as intended.

Through several strategic elements, the <u>ICCA GPS</u> aims to ensure that society continues to benefit from our innovations, while health, safety, and the environment are protected and sustained.

At Covestro we consider the safety and compatibility of our products to have top priority. We therefore consider Covestro products in applications known to us with regard to potential health, safety, environment and quality (HSEQ) risks. Our product stewardship activities cover the entire value chain – from product development and production to product use and final disposal.

Since 1994, we have aligned ourselves to the voluntary <u>Responsible Care™ initiative</u> of the chemical industry, and Covestro signed the revised Global Charter of that initiative in 2006.

#### We are equally committed to GPS:

#### **Product Safety First**

Our Product Safety First platform contains a description of the product safety assessment procedure, including prioritization, risk assessment, risk management and risk communication. Results in the form of professional Material Safety Data Sheets (MDSD) are usually made available through direct contact with our supply chain partners. In addition, Product Safety Summaries are planned, and can be accessed from the Product Safety First platform.

### **Supply Chain Outreach**

Focus of our supply chain outreach is placed on the safe transport, storage, handling and use of our products.

Information on outreach activities in these areas, e.g. for isocyanates, can be obtained from our Product Safety First platform.