

## Ceramic and vitreous FCMs

- Impact assessment ongoing but focus now on FCM revision
- Timeline has not changed = to finish IA end 2022 and a measure by beginning 2023
- Support study finished 31/08/2021 with final results validated 23/11/2021
  - Overall confirms identified impacts and increase in costs
  - But...

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## Study results

- Very difficult to obtain data on costs and impacts, in particular quantitative data
- Low response rate. Majority of ceramics, few enamel, glass and crystal.
- Replies focused on the proposed SMLs and testing requirements (cost, third migration). Larger producers mainly = loss of decorations, artisans = aluminium, and crystal = issue with lead. And concerns are over fair treatment with imports and labelling
- Limited input and low interest in mitigating provisions, not seen as acceptable or useful since there are no substitutes

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## Study conclusions

- SMLs will severely affect manufacturers, regardless of any measures to mitigate impacts
- None of the mitigating provisions were deemed as helpful or acceptable
- Option 3/a defining stricter information and quality control requirements on the supply chain may be slightly better than doing nothing
- Recommends further researching options to reduce impacts in consultation with manufacturers and industry
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## Next steps

- Chemical Strategy for Sustainability → Discussions ongoing. But likely CMRs will be banned unless for « essential use ».
- FCM revision → Impact assessment work start Q1 2022 – end Q1 2023. Timeframe is tight and parallel to ceramics.
- Any measure on ceramics will need integrating into future FCM framework.
- Consultations, info and research gathered on the specificities of artisans and SMEs will inform work on the FCM revision to address

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