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Areas of Practice

- Chemical Regulatory
- Consumer Products
- Environment & Natural Resources
- EU Environmental
- EU Law
- EU Regulatory Compliance
- Food & Dietary Supplements
- Food Contact Materials & Food Regulation
- International Regulation & Compliance
- Nanotechnologies
- Pesticides & Antimicrobials
- TSCA & REACH
- EU Chemicals, REACH & CLP, Biocides & Pesticides
- Patent: Nanotechnologies
- US/EU Environment & Life Sciences
- Energy
- Patent: Chemistry

Languages

- English
- Hungarian

Dr. Anna Gergely

Dr. Anna Gergely is director EHS regulatory of the international law firm Steptoe & Johnson LLP, and is based in the Brussels office. In a role equivalent to partner, Dr. Gergely is the firm’s principal scientist, with a PhD in analytical chemistry and quantum chemistry, and is a registered European patent attorney.

Dr. Gergely’s practice covers the well established legal and regulatory practices of Steptoe in areas of chemicals including the REACH regulation, agro-biotechnology, biocides, cosmetics, food and feed, food contact materials, medical devices and a range of consumer and industrial products, providing comprehensive capabilities for companies seeking compliance strategies that cover the full range of their technical and legal needs.

In addition to the above areas, Dr. Gergely specializes in nanotechnologies as related to a broad spectrum of industrial sectors. Her involvement in this field ranges from scientific and patent considerations to issues of corporate regulatory compliance and regulatory governance.

Dr. Gergely chairs the Nanotechnologies Task Force of AmCham EU and the Regulation Working Group of NANO*utures*, a flagship project sponsored by the European Commission. She is the co-author of several articles and book chapters discussing the regulatory oversight of the different applications of nanotechnologies. She has also been appointed as a member of the Scientific and Technical Council of the International Risk Governance Council, an independent organization whose purpose is to help the understanding and management of emerging global risks that have impacts on human health and safety, the environment, the economy and society at large.

Before joining Steptoe, Dr. Gergely spent nearly 15 years as scientific and regulatory advisor at other international law firms. Prior to that, she had an academic research career followed by an in-house researcher position at the Monsanto Chemical Company in Belgium. Through her academic and industry background and established career as a regulatory consultant, Dr. Gergely has developed in-depth technical and legal knowledge of relevant regulatory areas.

Noteworthy

- Recommended by *Legal 500 EMEA* for EU Regulatory: Environment (including WEE and RoHS) 2011 & 2012
- Recommended by *Legal 500 EMEA* for EU Regulatory: Chemicals (REACH) 2011 & 2012
- Recommended by *Legal 500 EMEA* for EU Regulatory: Food 2012

Dr. Anna Gergely

French

German

Dutch

Education

Technical University of
Budapest, MSc in
Biochemistry and Food
Chemistry, 1976

Technical University of
Budapest, PhD in Analytical
Chemistry and Quantum
Chemistry, 1980

Hungarian Patent Office,
Masters in Intellectual
Property Law, 1991

Admitted

Hungarian Patent Attorney,
1992

European Patent Attorney,
2003

Select Seminars & Events

Biocides in China and Europe Seminar, June 2012, *(A Steptoe-Sponsored Event)*

Effective REACH Strategies: Next Steps, May 15, 2012, *(A Steptoe-Sponsored Event)*

Food Contact Plastics Conference 2012: Global Regulatory Summit, May 9, 2012

Nano Enhancers for Plastics Conference, March 21, 2012, *Regulatory Issues: REACH and Environmental Impact*

"TSCA Reform: What are the Lessons from Europe's Early Experience with REACH?", March 2, 2012

Webinar on Global Food Contact Compliance: Special Focus on Nanotechnology, March 1, 2012, *(A Steptoe-Sponsored Event)*

Selected Publications

Regulation of Nanomaterials in Food Contact Uses
Nano Watch
May 2012, *Chemical Watch*

How the EU Nano Definition Will be Applied to Biocides
Nano Watch
April 2012, *Chemical Watch*

Legal Ease: Plain Talk on Legal Topics - Brave Small World
March 2012, *Leader's Edge*

Food Contact Materials Lie Within REACH
February 2012, *Chemical Watch*

Court Ruling on Food Contact Additive Sets New Precedents
November 14, 2011, *Chemical Watch*

Nano Analyst: European Commission Releases Long Awaited Definition for Nanomaterials
October 18, 2011

Where Is "Agronanotechnology" Heading in the United States and European Union?
Volume 26, Number 1
Summer 2011, *Natural Resources & Environment*

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Nano Analyst: US Government Issues Policy Framework for Regulation of Nanomaterials and Releases Two Regulatory Proposals for Comment
June 15, 2011

Professional Affiliations

Chair of European Commission *NANO* futures Regulation working group

Chair of AmCham EU's Nanotechnology Task Force

Member of the IRGC's Scientific and Technical Council

Member, Scientific and Technical Council of the International Risk Governance Council

Member, EuroScience (A European Association for the Production of Science and Technology)

Member of Union, the European Association of Professional Representatives Before the European Patent Office

Member, AmCham Agri-Food Committee