

High Level Group on the Competitiveness of the Chemicals Industry in the European Union, (OJEC -16-06-2007 page L 156/35) :

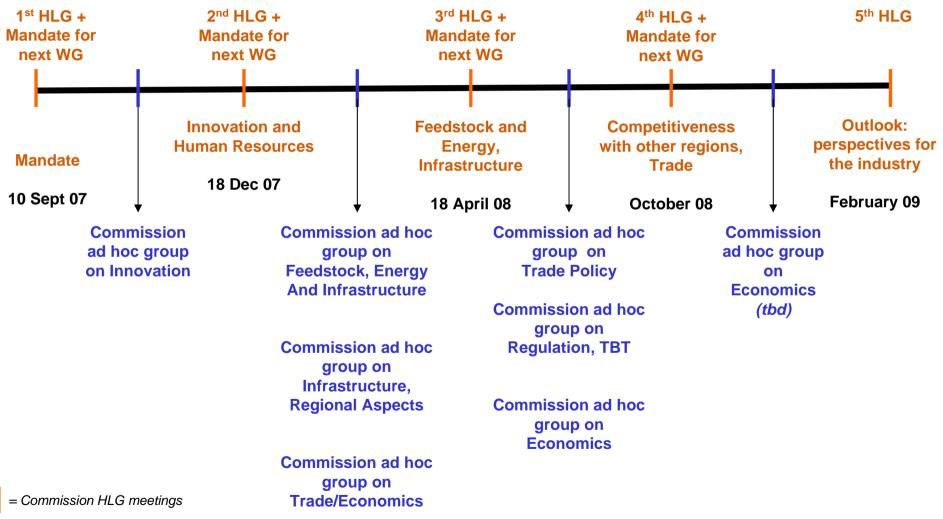
1. ...to conduct economic and statistical <u>analysis of the factors</u> determining the structural changes in the chemicals industry...

...as well as others factors that influence the competitive position of the chemicals industry in Europe"

- 2. ...<u>to assist the Commission</u> on questions related to the competitiveness of the chemicals industry...
- 3. ...to <u>formulate a set of sector-specific policy</u> <u>recommendations</u>.

Timeline of meetings of the HLG Chemicals and Commission Working Groups





= Commission Ad Hoc Group meetings



- New demands for chemical solutions
- New business models and the strain for de-commoditisation
- Research intensity and expenditure
- Education and human resources
- Regulation, standards and intellectual property rights
- Social and political aspects, communication
- Current industrial policy initiatives and their application to the chemical sector

Timeline for HLG Innovation & HR



