



nanoMONITOR

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## Press Release

### NanoMONITOR shows great achievement during its General Assembly Meeting and its 2<sup>nd</sup> Stakeholders Day held in Lancaster, UK

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The overall goal of the Life+ NanoMONITOR project is to develop a prototype system to generate robust, accessible, comparable and interoperable data on the concentration of nanomaterials in indoor workplaces, urban areas, and natural environments, as well as to promote the use of measured data to support the implementation of REACH regulation.

The results from the 4<sup>th</sup> Project General Assembly Meeting showed great advancement of the project. The meeting was held in Lancaster, UK on 23 October 2017 where the project partners presented the results obtained during the last 6 months. During the meeting the project partners discussed the successful outcome from the Mid Term Review and set the next steps in the project agenda. The feedback received from the funding body recognized that the technical report submitted to the EC in June was of a very good quality and showcased the smooth progress of the project.



The week continued with the project 2<sup>nd</sup> Stakeholders' Workshop: Safe Nanotechnology – Risk management, exposure and regulatory challenges, held on 24 October in Lancaster. The workshop brought together delegates from UK, Italy, Spain, India and Brazil to discuss the use of measured data on the concentration of engineered nanomaterials (ENMs) to support risk assessment, the implementation of safe exposure scenarios and to present the latest regulatory developments affecting

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nanomaterials in the EU and worldwide, including guidance on the best tools available to meet these obligations. At the same time the workshop served as an effective platform to disseminate the progress achieved within the project to a targeted audience of nanotechnology researchers, industry, and regulators. The delegates had the opportunity to test and provide feedback on the NanoMONITOR Monitoring Station Prototype and the NanoMONITOR Software Platform developed within the project. The recommendations collected during the workshop will be used for the further refinement of the applications.



The first Monitoring Station Prototype has been installed in one of the existing stations of the air quality network of the city of Valencia, generating data on the concentration of nanomaterials in areas with high traffic density.

A second station will be installed in December 2017 in a commercial area located outside the city. Both stations will generate new data on the concentration of nanomaterials in city roads and highways of prime importance, to study potential effects on human health and the environment.

All presentations from the workshop are made available to download from the project website here: [www.lifenanomonitor.eu/en/safe-nanotechnologyexposure-assessment-risk-management-and-regulatory-challenges-workshop-presentations/](http://www.lifenanomonitor.eu/en/safe-nanotechnologyexposure-assessment-risk-management-and-regulatory-challenges-workshop-presentations/)

## ABOUT NANOMONITOR

The LIFE+ project NanoMONITOR addresses the challenges of supporting the risk assessment of nanomaterials under REACH by development of a real-time information and monitoring system.

For more information about NanoMONITOR go to: [www.lifenanomonitor.eu](http://www.lifenanomonitor.eu)

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