MedPharmPlast Europe Conference

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PROGRAMME

9:00 – 10:00	**General Assembly** - *for members only*
10:00 – 10:30	Registration & Welcome Coffee
10:30 – 15:00	**Public MPPE Conference** – *for members & external interested parties*
10:30 – 10:45	**Welcome & Introduction to MedPharmPlast Europe**
10:45 – 11:15	**Updates on regulations and standards related to the testing of plastics material** *- Frank De Smedt, Department Head Analytical Services, Toxikon*
11:15 – 11:45	**Mandate and Progress of the SCHEER in relation to the Guidelines on Phthalates** *- Paul Piscoi, Policy Officer, DG GROW, European Commission*
11:45 – 12:00	Networking Coffee
12:00 – 12:30	**Definition of Nanomaterial** *- Andrej Kobe, Policy Officer, DG ENV, European Commission*
12:30 – 13:30	Networking Lunch
13:30 – 14:00	**The interface between EU Chemicals Legislation and the new Medical Device Regulation** *- Patrick de Kort, Regulatory Task Force Co-Chairman, MedPharmPlast Europe*
14:00 – 14:30	**Update on Titanium Dioxide** *- Lorenzo Zullo, REACH Manager, Eurométaux - Association Européenne des Métaux*
14:30 – 15:00	**EU Funding Opportunities for Polymer Research on Medical Devices** *- Estela Izquierdo, Executive Secretary, ECP4 - European Composites, Plastics and Polymer Processing Platform*
15:00	Closing

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SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES

Frank De Smedt - Department Head Analytical Services, Toxikon Europe NV

Frank De Smedt obtained a PhD in Chemistry from the University of Leuven before joining Toxikon Europe NV in 2007 as a Study Director for method validations in Extractable and Leachable studies.
In 2009, Frank became Head of the Analytical Departments of Toxikon. In this role he's responsible for all analytical methods, including method development and validation, used in Extractable and Leachable projects. Compendial work on materials, Toxikon's R&D and Medical Device Characterization is also performed in the Analytical Departments.

Paul Piscoi - Policy Officer, Directorate-General GROW - Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs, European Commission

Paul Piscoi graduated as a medical doctor and has been working at the European Commission for more than eight years. Since February 2012, he has worked as a Policy and Scientific Officer in the Unit dealing with legislation on medical devices (currently Unit D.4 of the Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs).
Besides the participation in the drafting of implementing acts related to the new Medical Devices Regulations and other tasks, he is responsible for the coordination of the Clinical Investigation and Evaluation Working Group, notified bodies, vigilance and borderline matters.

Andrej Kobe - Policy Officer, Directorate-General ENV - Environment, European Commission

Andrej Kobe conducted his university studies in Ljubljana where he got his degrees in physics from the Faculty of Mathematics and Physics, University of Ljubljana (SI). For some time he worked on laser applications and environmental sensing at the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering at the same University; later he set up the national reference laboratory for the ambient air quality monitoring at the Environment Agency of Slovenia.
Andrej has worked as Policy Officer at DG Environment, European Commission, since 2004. He started in the ambient air quality unit but has for the past six years worked on chemicals and nanomaterials. His domain includes REACH Evaluation (testing proposals, compliance checks and substance evaluations) and different EU nanomaterial initiatives, in particular nanomaterial definition and the revision of REACH Technical Annexes to address nanomaterials. He is also leading EU delegation at OECD Working Party on Manufactured Nanomaterials.

Patrick de Kort - Regulatory Task Force Co-Chairman, MedPharmPlast Europe

Patrick de Kort has a Bachelor in Biomedical Sciences from the University of Utrecht. For EuPC/PCE he has worked on technical projects such as: participation to the ECHA Bioelution Expert Group, derivations of Derived No Effect Levels for data-poor substances, and the development of a substance monitoring platform. As such Patrick has developed an intimate knowledge of EU Chemicals Legislation (e.g. REACH & CLP). For MedPharmPlast Europe, Patrick provides secretarial services and expertise in his capacity of Co-Chair of the Regulatory Taskforce.

Lorenzo Zullo - REACH Manager, Eurométaux - Association Européenne des Métaux

Lorenzo Zullo joined the Eurometaux EHS Team in 2016 to provide support on REACH-related activities.
He previously spent 9 years in the European Tyre & Rubber Manufacturers' Association, where he coordinated and managed chemicals and health & safety industry actions; besides supporting the enhancement of supply chain interactions and relations with European authorities, he contributed to the development and implementation of an industry programme to monitor and prioritise more than one thousand rubber chemicals. Lorenzo is also the Founder and Managing Director of Chemycal.com, a pioneering web-based tool that he personally designed in 2011 to monitor chemical regulatory systems around the world. Lorenzo holds a MSc in Environmental Engineering from the Politecnico di Milano (Milan, Italy), a MSc in Chemical Engineering and a MA in Sustainable Infrastructures from the Royal Institute of Technology (Stockholm, Sweden).

Estela Izquierdo - Executive Secretary, ECP4 - European Composites, Plastics and Polymer Processing Platform