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<u>Voting Opens for Polymer Producers Awards 2022 – Commitment to the European Market as Key Criteria</u>

Don't miss the chance to rate your polymer suppliers

The Polymers for Europe Alliance has launched on the 1st of February the 2022 voting for the Polymer Producers Assessment. To reflect the efforts of the plastics industry after the unprecedented crisis of last year, the seventh edition of the awards will include for the first time the Commitment to the European Market as a standalone criterion for the rating process, focusing on suppliers' willingness to invest in Europe and their plans to increase and modernise capacity in Europe.

This topic of high importance given the current situation, will address the industry's concerns as stated by **Tony Harrison**, CPO at Klöckner Pentaplast: "Working together through the next cycle is crucial in times of heightened macro geopolitical and economic uncertainty."

The Polymers for Europe Alliance had decided that this year's edition will focus on the following criteria: delivery reliability, circularity, quality, communication, innovation and commitment to the European Market.

All users of polymers in Europe can access this online customer satisfaction survey - free of charge and in strict confidence - and rate their suppliers' performances during the past 12 months. The voting tool is open from the 1st February to the 15nd April 2023 here: www.polymercomplyeurope.eu/pce-services.

"The Best Polymer Producers Awards were created in 2016 to re-establish a constructive dialogue and good communication between suppliers and users of polymers in Europe. We encourage plastics converters in Europe to participate and rate all their suppliers. The fact that we are now organising the seventh edition with a growing number of voters every year is a clear indicator of the awards' success." Said Ron Marsh, Chair of the Polymers for Europe Alliance.

How does the Awards voting work?

The rating tool is easy to understand, extremely user-friendly and provided in several languages in order to reach as many polymer users in Europe as possible.

In case you do not yet have an account on the Polymers for Europe Alliance, you can register for free here: www.polymercomplyeurope.eu/node/210/register to get your exclusive access to the rating tool.

Once you have accessed the rating tool, you can choose your suppliers in 12 different polymer type categories: PP, HDPE, LDPE, LLDPE, PET, PVC, PS & EPS, PC, ABS, EVA, EVOH and Specialty Polymers.



Once selected, you can then rate them according to the 6 criteria Delivery Reliability, Polymer Quality, Communication, Commitment of the European Market, Innovation, and Circularity.

Based on the average of the incoming ratings, the best European polymer suppliers per polymer type will be awarded. Furthermore, an overarching award on Commitment to the European Market, covering all polymer types, will be given away.

Awards Ceremony during EuPC Gala Dinner

The winners will be exclusively announced at the Awards Ceremony that will take place during the Gala Dinner of the EuPC (European Plastics Converters) Annual Meeting in Lyon, France, on the 23rd May 2023 at the stunning Palais de la Bourse.

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About Polymers for Europe Alliance

The Alliance was initiated by the European Plastics Converters association (EuPC) during its General Assembly in May 2015. It is an online, confidential information platform open to all parties who have an interest in the competitive conversion of polymers in Europe. Its objectives are to provide factual public information on the status of the polymer supply situation in Europe and to re-establish a constructive dialogue with the supply base. The initiatives of the Alliance also include the Best Polymer Producers Awards for Europe, which are now organised on an annual basis. In this Europe-wide online customers' satisfaction survey all users of polymers in Europe can rate their best suppliers of the year.

www.polymercomplyeurope.eu/pce-services/polymers-europe-alliance

About European Plastics Converters (EuPC)

EuPC is the EU-level Trade Association, based in Brussels, representing European Plastics Converters. Plastics converters (sometimes called "Processors") are the heart of the plastics industry. They manufacture plastics semifinished and finished products for an extremely wide range of industrial and consumer markets - the automotive electrical and electronic, packaging, construction and healthcare industries, to name but a few. www.plasticsconverters.eu