



Materials and Products in Contact with Drinking Water

19th & 20th May 2015

An everlasting story or how Europe can come to a common
approach supported by stakeholders



The issue of safe, wholesome and clear drinking water is of outstanding importance for human health and therefore crucial for water services as well as producers of material and products coming in contact with drinking water. The proper choice of materials and products thus was anchored in article 10 of the Drinking Water Directive 1998 (DWD '98), requiring EU member states to implement related rules into national law.

In the absence of a functioning EC driven and therefore European wide acceptance scheme for materials and products in contact with drinking water several EU member states have agreed upon common procedures, others have tried independent ways to fulfil the DWD '98 demands. Unfortunately, this patchwork rug of national approaches to especially implement article 10 might lead to differences in the level of consumer health protection on the one hand but also causes potential barriers to trade on the other hand.

From a stakeholder's point of view a horizontal European regulation is needed, combining high level common health protection standards as requested in the Drinking Water Directive with the demand for free markets laid down in article 34 of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union. The symposium therefore reflects the so called 4 member states initiative as well as other national procedures to implement article 10 of DWD '98. Based on those concepts a common approach could be derived on European level aiming at overcoming and avoiding conflicts between different legislative requests. Presentations of European and national regulators as well as statements of industry representatives will contribute to the discussion around the urgent need to solve this everlasting story.

Registration Form

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Registration is open by May 11th 2015 · **Participants:** max. 415 · **Attendance Fee:** 485,00 € plus local VAT

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Day 1: May 19th 2015

13:30 hours: Get together / Welcome snack

Moderation: **Welcome words / Introduction**
L. v. Breemen
(The Netherlands)

14:30 hours: Why materials and products in contact with drinking water matter – to set the scene
Keynote: J. Fawell
(WHO experts group GDWQ)

14:45 hours: The Evaluation of DWD '98 – article 10
T. Biermann
(EC DG Environment)

15:00 hours: "Health vs. Internal Market?" Added value and limits of market approaches
M. Fuchs (EC DG Growth)

15:15 hours: Mandate 136 – mission impossible?
J.-M. Axes (CEN TC 164)

15:30 hours: Safe water supply – why we need a clear European approach for materials and products in contact with drinking water
C. Castell-Exner (EurEau)

15:45 hours: How uncertainties in legislation influence European industry
P. L. Schmidt (Aqua Europa)

16:00 hours: Discussion

16:30 hours: Coffee break

17:00 hours: Background of EAS and the 4 MS approach
J. Hunt (DWI; UK)

17:15 hours: 4 MS approach for metallic materials
T. Rapp (EPA; DE)

17:30 hours: 4 MS approach for plastics and elastomers
B. v. d. Ven (RIVM; NL)

17:45 hours: National implementation of article 10, DWD '98: Case study Denmark
N. N.

18:00 hours: Closing sessions / Walking Dinner at The Atrium

Day 2: May 20th 2015

09.30 hours: Welcome Coffee

Moderation: J. Fawell (UK)

10:00 hours: To bridge the difficulties – lessons learned and the need for a horizontal European approach to deal with materials and products in contact with drinking water
B. Mendel (Ministry of Health; DE)
Et J. Appelman (DGRW; The Netherlands)

11:00 hours: The way forward
Panel and auditorium discussion

12:00 hours: Résumé
J. Fawell (UK)

12:15 hours: Session closure and lunch at The Atrium

14:00 hours: End



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