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# Press Release on the European Parliament Plenary Vote on the Recast of the Drinking Water Directive

Brussels, 28 March 2019 - The European Drinking Water Industrial Alliance supports today's adoption of the Drinking Water Directive by the European Parliament Plenary.

*"Today's vote sent a strong signal that the same high hygienic standards should apply to all materials and products in contact with drinking water all across the EU. The European Parliament position is a good basis for further trilogue negotiations between the institutions which are expected to begin at the end of the year and will help overcome current fragmentation. It is an important step towards the development of a harmonised legislative framework on drinking water applications. This is good for public health, competitiveness and innovation: all EU consumers will enjoy the same high level of human health protection and EU companies will be able to reap the advantages of the single market", stated Volker Meyer, Chairman of the EDW.*

*"The European Parliament and the Council both agree on the need for harmonisation. We call on the European co-legislators to maintain a high level of ambition in the final text", concluded Volker Meyer.*



**Volker Meyer**, Chairman European Drinking Water

## About us

The European Drinking Water (EDW) is an alliance of currently 31 European trade associations representing industries involved with the supply of products or materials that are used in drinking water applications and connected to municipal drinking water supplies within the European Union (EU). This ranges, from raw materials suppliers to producers of pumps, water meters, pipes, valves, taps, fittings, water treatment, water heaters, catering equipment industry, seals, etc. and all types of materials, such as elastomers, metals, plastics, etc. The alliance is open to any industry association relevant to drinking water contact applications.

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 Bathroom Manufacturers Association	 Branchehuset	 BRITISH WATER expertise worldwide	 CEIR
<b>BMA</b> Bathroom Manufacturers Association	<b>Branchehuset</b>	<b>British Water</b>	<b>CEIR</b> European Association for the Taps and Valves Industry
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 European Association for Ductile Iron Pipe Systems	 European Federation of Catering Equipment Manufacturers	 association of the European Heating Industry	 European Light Stabilisers and Antioxidants Association
<b>EADIPS</b> European Association for Ductile Iron Pipe Systems	<b>EFCEM</b> European Federation of Catering Equipment	<b>EHI</b> European Heating Industry	<b>ELISANA</b> European Light Stabilisers and Antioxidants
 European Sealing Association e.V.	 EUROPEAN TYRE & RUBBER manufacturers' association	 The European Pump Manufacturers Association	 EUROPEAN VENDING ASSOCIATION
<b>ESA</b> European Sealing Association	<b>ETRMA</b> European Tyre & Rubber Manufacturers' Association	<b>Europump</b> The European Pump Manufacturers Association	<b>EVA</b> European Vending Association
 European Water Treatment Association	 Food Contact Additives	 Association of Companies for Gas and Water Technologies	 Fachverband der Kunststoffrohrindustrie
<b>EWTA</b> European Water Treatment Association	<b>FCA</b> Food Contact Additives (a Cefic Sector Group)	<b>Figawa</b> Association of Companies for Gas and Water Technologies	<b>KRV</b> Fachverband der Kunststoffrohrindustrie
 Association of Plastics Manufacturers	 Ion Exchange & Adsorbent Resins	 The European Plastic Pipes and Fittings Association	 Association of German water- and heat meters industry
<b>PlasticsEurope</b>	<b>SOIA</b> Synthetic Organic Ion Exchangers and Adsorbents	<b>TEPPFA</b> The European Plastic Pipes and Fittings Association	<b>VDDW</b> Association of German water- and heat meters industry
 Association for Piping Systems Inside Buildings	 Water Quality Association	 Die Elektroindustrie	
<b>VRH</b> Association for Piping Systems Inside Buildings	<b>WQA</b> Water Quality Association	<b>ZVEI</b> German Electrical and Electronic Manufacturers' Association	

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