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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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Federation of Association of
Mechanical and Engineering
Industry



APPLiA
Home Appliance Europe



AQUA
European Association of Water
Meters and Heat Meters
Manufacturers



AQUA EUROPA



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Bathroom Manufacturers
Association



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CEIR
European Association for the
Taps and Valves Industry



CEPE
The European Council of the
Paint, Printing Ink and Artist's
Colours Industry



CES
Silicones Europe



CESA
Catering Equipment Suppliers
Association



**Deutsches
Kupferinstitut
Cu**



EADIPS
European Association for Ductile
Iron Pipe Systems



EFCEM
European Federation of Catering
Equipment



ehi
European Heating Industry



elisana
European Light Stabilisers and
Antioxidants



ESA
European Sealing Association



ETRMA
European Tyre & Rubber
Manufacturers' Association



Europump
The European Pump
Manufacturers Association



EVVA
European Vending Association



ewta
European Water Treatment
Association



FCA
Food Contact Additives (a Cefic
Sector Group)



figawa
Association of Companies for Gas
and Water Technologies



KRV
Fachverband der
Kunststoffrohrindustrie



PlasticsEurope



soia
Synthetic Organic Ion Exchangers
and Adsorbents



teppfa
The European Plastic Pipes and
Fittings Association



VDDW
Association of German water-
and heat meters industry



VRH
Association for Piping Systems
Inside Buildings



WQA
Water Quality Association



ZVEI
German Electrical and Electronic
Manufacturers' Association