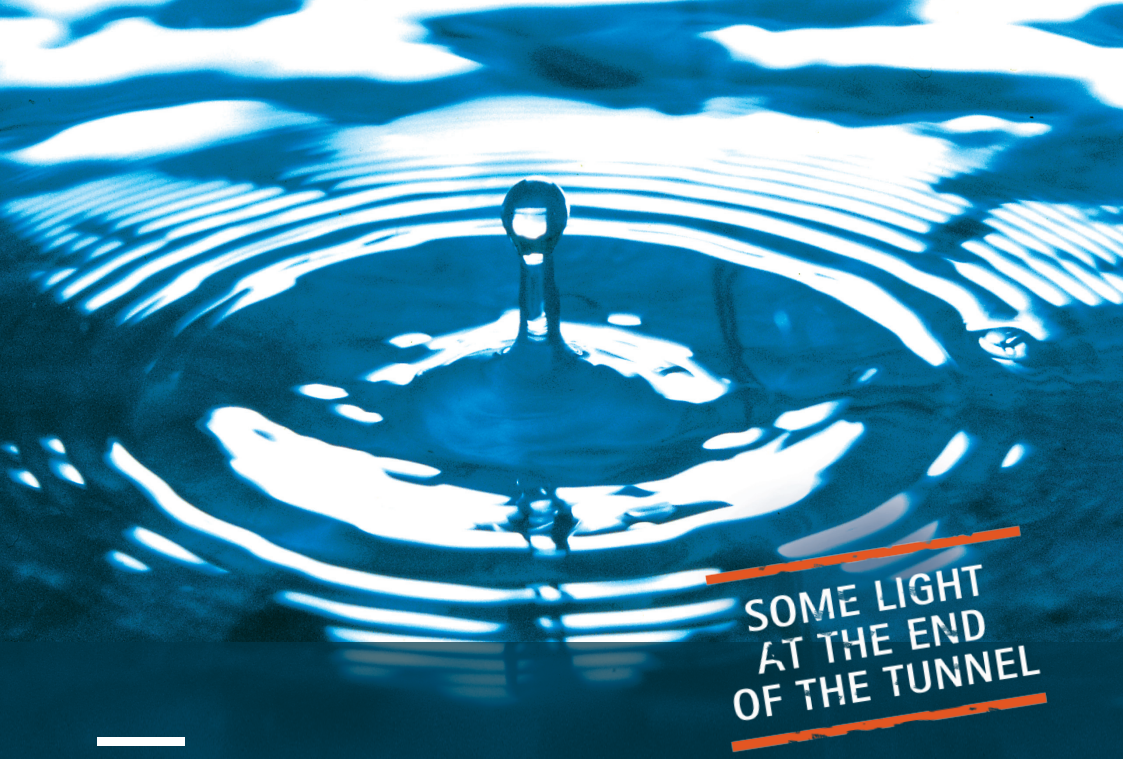

3rd Symposium on Materials and Products in contact with Drinking Water

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To continue and intensify the exchange between regulators and industry

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Water industry and producers of materials and products that come in contact with drinking water are still waiting for a consistent and coherent European framework which properly addresses article 10 of the Drinking Water Directive (98/83 EC). All stakeholders are looking for an approach that creates certainty that materials and products offered the European market are not only "fit for purpose" in technical terms but also provide the hygienic safety needed to protect consumers' health, during the whole lifetime of the products and materials in the process of water supply.

Relevant steps forward have been made during the last two years within the evaluation process of the Drinking Water Directive according to the REFIT programme of the European Commission. Article 10 has been identified as a weak point of the legislation and a specific study on this subject has been launched. Valuable work and input from all stakeholders, the European and national regulators, as well as stakeholders from the materials and products industry part have significantly contributed to the study. Results of this initiative as well as the outcome of the impact assessment of a related policy option will be taken into account under the announced revision of the DWD from 2017 on. The European Commission DG Growth´s initiative to issue new standards for products in contact with drinking water also contributes to a possible rulebook and will be addressed within this conference.

The intended way forward is, of course, to be based on both, human health safety as well as economically relevant criteria such as free trading and reduced certification costs. For best consumers' protection, all materials and products need to be positively approved for their use in contact with drinking water by showing high chemical stability and close to zero leaching rates. To stabilize and protect a functioning inner European market, the new mandates to CEN mentioned above are in the pipeline to cover product specific technical requirements as basic prerequisite for certification, free trading and safe use.

This year's symposium aims to present and discuss the main developments, initiatives and achievements of the last year´s activities related to Article 10 Drinking Water Directive within the remit of DG Environment and DG Growth.

The fee is for industry participants only. Regulators active on the national or European level are invited to participate for free. Please indicate.

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Registration is open by May 10th 2017
Participants: max. until 420
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Program

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11:00 – 12:00:	**Welcome Brunch**
12:00:	**Opening words** T. Frost (Director Aqua Focus, UK)

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12:05 – 12:30:	**Mutual recognition in the EU – aims and difficulties within the drinking water materials and products sector** F. - A. Pantazi (EC DG Growth)
12:30 – 12:55:	**Outcomes of the study on materials and products in contact with drinking water** I. Naismith (Consultant to EC DG Environment)
12:55 – 13:20:	**Update on the 4 MS procedure – How can the 4 MS-initiative support the revision of article 10, DWD?** B. Mendel (Federal Ministry of Health, Germany),
13:20 – 13:45:	**Update on the MAID project** C. Engelsen (Sintef, Norway)
13:45 – 14:30:	**Coffee Break**
14:30 – 14:50:	**Results of the food contact materials baseline study** C. Simoneau (EC JRC Ispra) (tbc)
14:50 – 15:10:	**Evaluation and revision of the Drinking Water Directive: state of play, next steps, impact assessment of policy option on materials and products in contact with drinking water** T. Biermann (EC DG Environment)
15:10 – 15:30:	**Underlaying principles for the new CEN mandates for products coming in contact with drinking water** M. Fuchs (EC DG Growth)
15:30 – 15:45:	**New CEN mandate – the example of "assembled products"** V. Meyer (CEN TC 164, EDW)
15:45 – 16:30:	The way forward – panel and auditorium discussion

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