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FEICA NEWS & VIEWS

The European voice of the adhesive and sealant industry



FEICA SUPPLIERS' DAY: 8 SEPTEMBER 2021

We look forward to seeing you on our virtual platform

FEICA has already begun inviting experts to share their knowledge and experience with an international audience of industry leaders and stakeholders at the FEICA Suppliers' Day, which will take place online on 8 September 2021.

This event will provide the perfect opportunity for suppliers and service providers to showcase their latest product innovations and technologies through a series of video presentations and connect with general managers, R&D staff and purchase officers at adhesive and sealant producing companies.

Find out about the latest innovations in the adhesives and sealants industry

Travel restrictions under COVID19 have left the industry without many face-to-face meetings with the opportunity to discuss innovations in the supply chain. We therefore invite suppliers and service providers to the adhesives and adhesives industry to take this opportunity to present their company's latest developments. The Q&A following your presentation will permit participants to talk to you directly. All participants in the Suppliers' Day will have access to the event platform for easy messaging, setting up meetings and follow-up before, during and after the event.

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Connect with the adhesive and sealant industry

In today's volatile business environment, adhesives and sealants companies face multiple challenges, such as feedstock costs and availability, and the impact of by-products. At the same time, they still face an unrelenting focus on delivering continuous improvement in sustainability performance as well as in financial performance.

Focus areas for Suppliers' Day presentations include:

- Feedstock trends affecting raw material sourcing, sustainable procurement
- Accessing raw materials – availability, restrictions and (relative) price
- Raw material development and new product applications
- Resource-efficient technologies, energy and raw material sourcing, Circular Economy
- Services and business solutions provided to adhesives and sealant producers
- Product innovation, progress in adhesion science, new chemistry



Any new technology, market intelligence or innovative idea relevant to the adhesive and sealant industry is also being considered.

Suppliers and service providers in the spotlight

In support of its Suppliers' Day on 8 September, FEICA has launched an online EXPO where you can showcase your company and its products & services. The online EXPO, at www.feica-conferences.com, will be promoted throughout 2021 until the start of the FEICA 2022 Conference and EXPO, which will take place in Hamburg, Germany, on 14-16 September 2022.

All participants of FEICA's Suppliers' Day will have access to the event platform for easy messaging, setting up meetings and follow-up before, during and after the event.

Participation

The aim of the event is to connect adhesive and sealant producers with raw material suppliers and service providers to showcase their product innovations.

Suppliers and service providers are invited to send in abstracts if they want to showcase their innovations and products. Suppliers whose abstracts have been accepted will be required to pay a fee for a 20-minute video presentation.

In addition, FEICA's virtual Suppliers' Day will provide an online platform for producers of adhesives and sealants to meet with the industry's suppliers on an individual basis.

**For sponsorship information, please contact:
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FEICA organises Online EXPO

Showcase your product innovations with a virtual exhibitor booth at the FEICA Online EXPO!

FEICA offers raw material suppliers and service providers the opportunity to showcase their product innovations and connect with industry stakeholders through a virtual exhibitor booth at the FEICA Online EXPO.

Promote your product or service, as well as new business developments, in your dedicated virtual exhibitor booth at the FEICA Online EXPO. Attracting repeat visits throughout the year, the website is a source of reference and information with an increasingly relevant readership as we approach new events and conferences. The EXPO will be promoted throughout 2021 until the start of the FEICA 2022 Conference and EXPO.

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FEICA WEBINARS in 2021

Since the last issue of CONNECT, FEICA has held several webinars, each as popular as the next.

A list of the past FEICA events can be found at www.feica.eu/information-center/events-conferences/past-events.

The presentations of the webinars are available in our information centre at www.feica.eu/information-center/all-information-centre.

SAVE THE DATE

23 June 2021: The upcoming Registration of Polymers under REACH

Please SAVE THE DATE for our next webinar, which will be held on 23 June 2021.



New FEICA leaflet: Diisocyanates restriction compliance for end users of adhesives and sealants

The leaflet was created to guide end users of polyurethane (PU)-containing adhesives and sealants and is available from the FEICA information centre. It complements the dedicated FEICA webpage on the safe use of diisocyanates at:

www.feica.eu/our-priorities/safe-use-diisocyanates

FEICA launches 'PU info' page on the diisocyanates restriction for industrial and professional users

For updated information on training availability, we invite you to frequently check FEICA's dedicated PU info webpage.

www.feica.eu/PUinfo



FEICA WEBINAR: 'COMPLYING WITH THE REACH RESTRICTION ON DIISOCYANATES', WAS HELD ON 26 MAY 2021

FEICA held a webinar on 26 May on 'Complying with the REACH Restriction on Diisocyanates'. The event was very well attended, and many questions were asked during the Q&A at the end. We are in the process of compiling these questions in order to create a 'Frequently Asked Questions' (FAQ) document, which we will post on the FEICA website. More information will be available in the next issue of FEICA CONNECT, out next month.

The key takeaways of the webinar were:

- A new REACH restriction on diisocyanates establishing information, labelling and training requirements was adopted
- As of 24 February 2022, all diisocyanates containing products intended to be used in industrial or professional settings with a total monomeric diisocyanate concentration greater than 0.1 % shall be labelled as established in the restriction
- As of 24 February 2022, suppliers should provide end users with information about the training on the safe use of diisocyanates
- FEICA is making available a series of informative materials/tools to support the adhesives and sealants industry to convey the information to its end users
- As of 24 August 2023, all industrial or professional user(s) OR supervisors of tasks involving diisocyanates, should have successfully completed training on the safe use of diisocyanates prior to the use of the substance(s) or mixture(s)
- The industry is working together to develop the content of the training on the safe use of diisocyanates

The [presentation slides](#) are available from the information centre on the FEICA public website.



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NEW OFFICES FOR FEICA

FEICA has moved!

We are pleased to announce the relocation of the FEICA offices to the centre of Brussels, closer to key European institutions and partner associations. Find out [how to reach us](#) on the FEICA website.

FEICA Amended Statutes and Internal Rules

Following The new Belgian Companies & Associations Code BCAC that entered into force on 1 January 2020 for companies & associations, FEICA has amended its Statutes and Internal Rules. An Extraordinary General Assembly was held before the Belgian notary public in Brussels on 20 May 2021, all Direct Company Members and National Association Members were represented by proxy, and approved the New FEICA Statutes and Internal Rules.



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FEICA EUROPEAN ADHESIVES AND SEALANTS CONFERENCE AND EXPO POSTPONED TO 2022

Due to the ongoing worldwide pandemic, FEICA has taken the decision to cancel the 2021 FEICA European Adhesive & Sealant Conference and EXPO, which had been rescheduled to take place in Warsaw, from 15 to 17 September 2021.

We remain positive that the worldwide situation of the Covid-19 pandemic will reach a turning point this year and are confident that we will be able to bring everyone together again, safely, at the FEICA European Adhesives and Sealants Conference and EXPO in 2022.

SAVE THE DATE! The 2022 FEICA Conference and EXPO will take place in Hamburg, Germany, from 14 to 16 September 2022.

This event will be of great importance, not only because it will be a momentous reunion after two cancelled conferences, but it will also be a celebration of 50 years of FEICA. We expect that it will be our most memorable event to date and look forward to seeing you all once more and connecting on a human level. More information about FEICA 2022 will be made available on the FEICA conference website, but in the meantime, mark your calendars!

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EU Industrial Strategy: the construction value chain stands ready to define a pathway for transition to achieve EU goals

On 5 May 2021, the European Commission released the new EU Industrial Strategy, which puts a renewed focus on the key ecosystems, including construction.

FEICA, as a member of the Construction 2050 Alliance, welcomes the priority given to the construction ecosystem as one of the sectors that faces the most important challenges in meeting climate and sustainability goals and in embracing the digital transformation.

FEICA has published a [joint Press Release](#) with the Construction 2050 Alliance on the construction value chain.

FEICA Letter of Support for the ALMA project

The EU has approved the ALMA project (Advanced Light Materials and Processes for the Eco-Design of Electric Vehicles). FEICA has been a Supporting Partner to help build the case for their project.

ALMA aims to improve the efficiency and driving range of electric vehicles by reducing the weight of the global vehicle structure. In addition, this 3-years project will also promote the adoption of circular economy principles from early stages across the entire vehicle life cycle. The letter is available from the information centre on the FEICA public website.

www.feica.eu/information-center/all-information-centre

SAVE THE DATE!

The European Construction Sector Opportunities for new talent



Online event
1 July 2021
10.00-12.00 CET

#EUConstruction2050

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CONNECT is sent to +5000 adhesives and sealants professionals and shared via FEICA's Social Media channels.

Click here to access the FEICA Media Kit or contact news@feica.eu.

FEICA members and members of our National Associations receive a 10% discount on advertisements in CONNECT.



FEICA MEMBER PORTRAITS

Five fascinating facts!

In every issue of CONNECT, we will introduce at least three members of FEICA. They will share, in their own words, interesting insights into their company in 'five fascinating facts'.

In this issue, we present Arlanxeo, CPG and Sapici.

MEMBER PORTRAIT

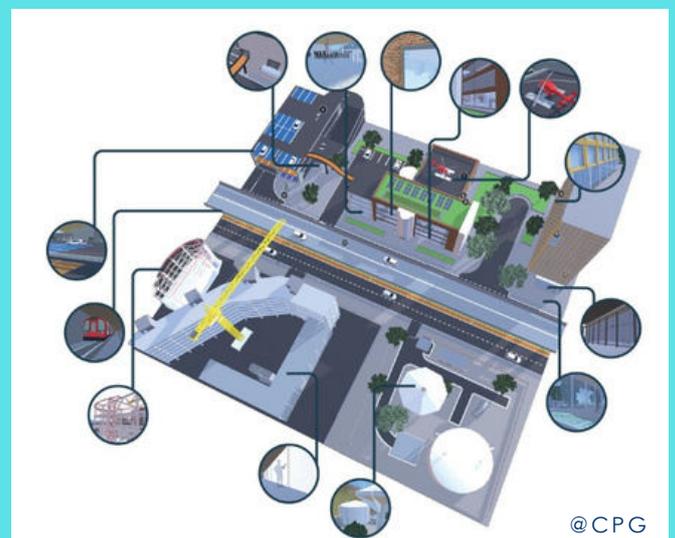


Content by Arlanxeo

- **Expertise:** We are one of the world's largest producers of synthetic rubber and a wholly owned subsidiary of Saudi Aramco, the world's largest energy and chemical group. We develop, produce and market high-performance rubbers that are used for a wide range of applications: from the automotive and tire industries to the electrical, construction, adhesive and oil & gas industries.
- **Corporate values:** Our corporate values determine the way we think and act at ARLANXEO – for the benefit of our customers, employees and the environment. Safety is the heart of everything we do. Every single employee contributes to this: Whatever we do, we do it safely or we do not do it at all.
- **Adhesive applications:** Our elastomers are used in various adhesive applications. As base materials in pressure sensitive adhesives as well as solvent or dispersion based contact adhesives they give those products their unique characteristics. In hot melts and reactive adhesives like acrylates, epoxy or PU they act as modifiers to improve specific properties.
- **We are global:** We have production, sales, technical service and testing facilities in all regions worldwide to be close to our customers and to be able to supply them with prime products and technical expertise.
- **Advantage of being a FEICA member:** FEICA supports us in being up to date on trends and regulatory topics concerning the adhesive industry. Being a FEICA member allows us to connect to our customers and partners in the adhesive market. The annual FEICA conference gives us the opportunity to build networks and present our products and innovations.



- **Company overview and product types:** Today's construction industry involves bringing together a lot of expertise in specialist areas to create the large-scale commercial and industrial buildings all around us. At CPG Europe, we've combined a broad range of high performance building materials with extensive technical knowledge to provide architects, developers and installers with the systems and information they need to ensure each and every project is a success. This makes CPG Europe the ideal partner for joint sealing, bonding and insulation through to passive fire protection, flooring, waterproofing and roofing solutions.
- **Company structure and infrastructure:** CPG Europe is part of RPM International Inc., one of the world's leading construction products companies for both industrial and consumer market sectors. CPG Europe not only provides a partner for a project from the floor to the roof but it is also able to leverage collaborative synergies to provide a better service to its customers. With over 1,400 employees based in Europe and a number of offices, production centres and facilities in key locations across the continent, CPG Europe is well placed to ensure that its products and technical teams are available when and where customers require them.
- **Expertise and support:** With expert teams covering a multitude of specialities, CPG Europe is able to offer technical advice on a broad range of topics, onsite and offsite. In addition, customers can benefit from advanced training courses and seminars as well as access to a comprehensive network of local support. The quality of CPG Europe's products and customer services means clients can rest assured that their projects will benefit from functional warranties and comprehensive certifications.
- **Sustainability:** CPG Europe is dedicated to working towards a more environmentally friendly built environment. To achieve this, it analyses all of its solutions to ensure that they help create buildings that save energy, last longer and exceed sustainability benchmarks. As part of this green commitment, CPG Europe takes a future-oriented approach to its products. This approach means that it permanently innovates and optimises its offering so that it can provide the most fit-for-purpose system for any situation.
- **Advantages of being a FEICA member:** For CPG Europe, FEICA provides an essential link between the industry it operates in and various regulatory bodies as well as the European Commission. This link is vital to understanding the sector's changing requirements and helps CPG Europe meet future demands by developing solutions that are always at the leading edge of quality and sustainability. CPG Europe has been a FEICA member for many years and has seen first-hand the value generated by FEICA's efforts and commitment to supporting it on a European level. Since joining, CPG Europe has been an eager participant in a number of committees and technical working groups.



MEMBER PORTRAIT

Content by Sapici



- **Avant-garde solutions: for Coating, Adhesives, Sealants, Elastomers, Laminating adhesives, Inks, Prepolymers and more. We possess the know-how and the skills to handle and transform every kind of isocyanate such as TDI, MDI, HDI, IPDI, H12MDI, XDI, PDI.**
- **Expertise: We provide vision and technology to support our partners and customers in developing high performance and sustainable formulations while fulfilling the latest regulatory requirements.**
- **We were first: First company to introduce coating and adhesive hardeners with residual monomer content below 0.1%. Today we range a wide ultra-low monomer portfolio of TDI adducts, TDI trimers, hybrid TDI/HDI, HDI trimers, HDI hydro dispersible, TDI prepolymers, HDI prepolymers and MDI prepolymers, for solvent base, solvent free and water base systems.**
- **Who are we?: Established in 1936, Sapici has a wide portfolio of polyurethanes raw materials and it is the ideal partner to enhance your innovative projects.**
- **Advantage of being a FEICA member: we appreciate the information sharing, the technical exchange on best practices, the follow up on regulatory affairs, and the opportunity to communicate and promote our innovative solutions into the market.**



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