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The FEICA European Adhesive & Sealant Conference and EXPO 2016



The latest edition of the FEICA Conference and EXPO was again a resounding success!

This year's FEICA European Adhesive & Sealant Conference and EXPO, held in Vienna, was once again a resounding success, as confirmed by the glowing reviews from our survey. The 500 adhesives and sealants professionals that joined us from 7 to 9 September discussed everything from market drivers and key challenges to the newest sustainable developments and technologies.

Dr Ali Salimi, Head of Industrial and Scientific Relations at the Iran Polymer and Petrochemical Institute said "It was great to find out about the newest innovations of the key players in Europe in what is definitely the most relevant event in adhesives and sealants."



The theme of the conference's Business Forum was "**Pursuing Growth - Strategic Choices in a Rapidly Changing World**" and provided indispensable practical insights into a variety of topics such as the circular economy and growth strategies in the adhesives and sealants industry. The conference's break-out sessions gave delegates a chance to attend highly informative seminars, and the EXPO gave suppliers to the industry an ideal opportunity to present their latest developments to key industry decision makers.





The FEICA Seminar Review | 7 September 2016



The FEICA Seminar always takes place on the Wednesday of FEICA's annual Adhesive and Sealant Conference & EXPO.



The seminar is open to all FEICA members, including members of National Associations.



Each year it provides a concise summary of the activities undertaken by FEICA's Technical Working Groups and Task Forces to support members and the industry in general.



If you'd like to contribute to a Technical Working Group or Task Force, please contact news@feica.eu. You will be helping shape the industry's future and benefit from the great camaraderie found in a group of committed, enthusiastic professionals.



Why our members should attend the FEICA Seminars

Attending the FEICA Seminar is highly recommended, no matter whether you work in a regulatory affairs role or management, business development, production or other role. In one productive afternoon, the FEICA Seminar will provide you with a thorough overview of the excellent work that the members of FEICA's Technical Working Groups and Task Forces are carrying out on behalf of member companies and the industry in general. You will come away with invaluable practical guidance that can help your organisation meet its regulatory obligations more efficiently and cost-effectively, and also help it prepare for forthcoming legislation. Commenting on the seminar, FEICA Secretary General Philip Bruce said, "Regulation affects us all; in more ways than you can imagine. This seminar will explain the return that your business gets out of the Association's regulatory activities and how the experts that represent your company help to achieve this. This event is really not to be missed."



MEMBERS ONLY!

FEICA members and the members of our National Associations are invited to mark their calendar's and join us at next year's FEICA Seminar in Sardinia, on

13 September 2017





FEICA Seminar Review (continued)

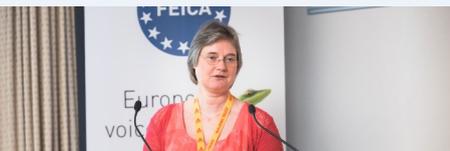
Invaluable knowledge sharing at the FEICA Seminar: A concise overview of progress on key regulatory issues for members

Here's a brief recap of this year's FEICA Seminar:

Regulatory Affairs – A Business Perspective:

Eva Griessbach (Dow Corning), Chair of the FEICA European Technical Board, Member of the FEICA Executive Board:

Eva welcomed delegates, outlined the programme for the seminar and thanked all the members of the Technical Working Groups and Task Forces for their hard work.



Alexandra Roß (H.B. Fuller), Chair of the FEICA Paper & Packaging Technical Working Group:

Safe adhesives to safeguard your market: Migration testing and risk assessment as tools to meet regulatory and end-customer demands. You can download Alexandra's presentation from the FEICA Extranet:

<http://www.feica.eu/extranet/cust/documentrequest.aspx?DocID=2023>.

Heinz-Werner Lucas (HWL Consulting), FEICA Expert, Chair of the EPD Technical Task Force:

Adhesives and sealants approach to life cycle analysis – Preparing for tomorrow's requirements:

FEICA Model EPDs: Environmental Product Declarations developed for the construction industry. You can download Heinz-Werner's presentation from the FEICA Extranet:

<http://www.feica.eu/extranet/cust/documentrequest.aspx?DocID=2024>.

Torsten Funk (Sika Services), Chair of the FEICA Exposure Scenarios Technical Task Force:

Successful business communication: How to get the use of your products covered. You can download Torsten's presentation from the FEICA Extranet:

<http://www.feica.eu/extranet/cust/documentrequest.aspx?DocID=2026>.

Torsten Funk (Sika Services), Chair of the FEICA Exposure Scenarios Technical Task Force and Philip Bruce, FEICA Secretary General:

Business readiness to address future REACH restriction on diisocyanates: What actions should your company take? You can download Torsten and Philip's presentation from the FEICA Extranet:

<http://www.feica.eu/extranet/cust/documentrequest.aspx?DocID=2028>.



Philip Bruce, FEICA Secretary General:

Philip closed the seminar, once again thanking all members of the Technical Working Groups and Task Forces for their contribution. He also encouraged experts from member companies to get involved in the Technical Working Groups and Task Forces.

After each presentation, there was a Q&A session, providing delegates with the opportunity to get answers to their specific questions.



The venue for the 2016 Welcome Cocktail

It's not all work, work, work!

Once again, the FEICA Conference and EXPO offered a range of social events such as the **Welcome Cocktail** and **Conference Dinner** to ensure that delegates are able to network with their peers in a relaxed environment.



The 2016 Conference Dinner





“Pursuing Growth – Strategic Choices in a Rapidly Changing World”



The 2016 FEICA Business Forum covered, in depth, strategies for growth in a turbulent world

Four highly regarded keynote speakers presented indispensable insights into our rapidly changing world.

Professor **Rob Holdway**, Director of Giraffe Innovation Ltd, described how innovation for the circular economy requires a revolutionary co-design approach to move from a linear to a circular model encompassing the way in which we design, manufacture, sell and consume products and services. This presents great opportunities although it won't be easy to move away from conventional business models.



Charles Dhanaraj, Professor of Strategy and Global Leadership at IMD in Lausanne, examined how the quest for growth is taking place against the backdrop of important social and technological trends that are redefining the world today. New markets are emerging and new needs are arising. Based on an ongoing research project at IMD, Professor Dhanaraj presented some novel ideas on how to pursue growth.

Aldric Tourres, Vice President at SpecialChem, covered how to reduce risk and accelerate growth in new applications and unfamiliar markets. He recommended the implementation of an iterative process that employs both digital and human methodology. To successfully implement this process, specific assets including market connection, multidisciplinary

organisational resources, and efficient partner selection criteria must be in place.

Finally, **Dr Achim Hübener**, CEO of Klebchemie, explained that because today's business environment is subject to constant change, it is essential for businesses to quickly identify the impact of such rapid changes on their own business, and capitalise on opportunities in order to achieve business growth.





The 2016 Break Out Sessions

FEICA 2016:

If you missed this year's conference and are interested in what the Break Out Sessions were about, you can still check all the topics on the FEICA Conference website here:

<http://www.feica-conferences.com/programme/conference-programme/>

The Speakers Overview is still available here:

<http://www.feica-conferences.com/speakers/speakers-overview/>



Winner of a complimentary registration to FEICA 2017 in Sardinia, Italy

Everyone who completed the conference feedback survey in Vienna was entered into a draw to win a complimentary registration for next year's event. We are happy to announce that **Mr Heinz Leibundgut** from Uzin Tyro AG is this year's winner of the **FREE registration** for the **2017 FEICA European Adhesive and Sealant Conference and EXPO in Sardinia**. The 2017 FEICA Conference will be held from 13 until 15 September at Forte Village. Congratulations Heinz and see you in Italy in September 2017!

What our participants had to say...

"The 2016 FEICA conference proved to be a key event in both content and networking opportunities. This is a driver for innovation for the whole industry".

- **Bram Starckx, Innovation Manager, Novatech**

" FEICA's annual gathering is the place to network with my European colleagues, and every year I look forward to getting the general overview of the industry and relevant HSE regulatory issues, adding value to my job as director for the Danish Coatings and Adhesives Association."

- **Gitte Tuesen, Secretariat Director, Danish Coatings and Adhesives Association**

"FEICA 2016 in Vienna was a great conference and experience that exceeded our expectations . This is the best European event to meet key players in the industry and to improve visibility and awareness for our company."

- **Dr Peter Kaali, Technical Advisor, Nynas**



**FEICA European Adhesive & Sealant
Conference and EXPO 2017**

13-15 September 2017

Forte Village - Sardinia, Italy

SAVE THE DATE





The FEICA EXPO

The EXPO provides an ideal opportunity for all producers, distributors, suppliers and service providers linked to the adhesive and sealant industry to showcase their latest developments.

Reserve your Table Top for FEICA 2017 today!

The earlier you book your space, the more pre-show marketing your company will receive as it will benefit from being listed in FEICA's electronic and print promotional materials.

Please note that table tops are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.



THE 2016 TABLE TOP EXHIBITORS

- ACC BEKU GmbH
- Adhäsion - Adhesion
- Adhesives and Sealants Industry
- Alpha Wax B.V.
- Arlanxeo
- Bitoner Resin
- Borregaard
- BYK Additives
- Croda Coatings & Polymers
- EAS / PPCJ
- Eastman Chemical Company
- Emerald Performance Materials
- Emerell
- Ergon International, Inc
- Eurikas
- Everlight Chemical Industrial Corporation
- ExxonMobil
- Falcone Specialities AG
- Imerys
- JPB Industry
- Keyser & Mackay
- Lawter
- Nordson EFD
- Nynas
- Omya
- Oulink Plastic
- PCC Rokita
- Poly-clip System GmbH & Co. KG
- Qingdao Higree Chemical Co., Ltd.
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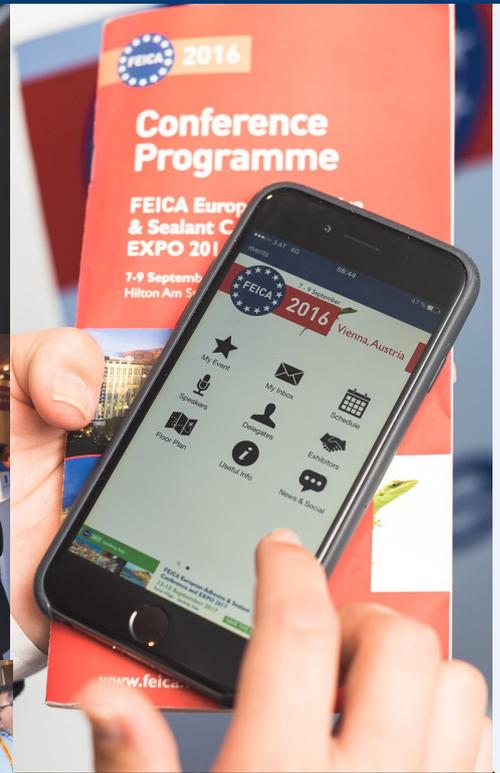
A big thank you to all delegates, sponsors, exhibitors, speakers and moderators at FEICA 2016.

FEICA would like to thank all of you who joined us in Vienna and helped make it such a success.

We would also like to express our gratitude to the members of the FEICA Executive Board and the European Technical Board for their continued support and dedication, and to the National Association Presidents and Secretaries. Strong praise goes to the Technical Working Group members for all their efforts made for the benefit of the adhesive and sealant industry.



FEICA CONFERENCE AND EXPO PICTURE GALLERY



Watch the **VIDEOCLIP**
of the FEICA 2015 European Adhesive & Sealant
Conference and EXPO here:
<http://www.feica-conferences.com/the-conference/media-gallery/2016-video/>





REACH-IT tools – latest developments

“Preparing the registration dossier” is the fifth phase of ECHA’s REACH 2018 Roadmap.

Below we outline the latest developments in the IT tools provided by ECHA to help facilitate registration.

Information on the identity, hazards, uses and risks of substances compiled in previous phases of ECHA’s REACH 2018 Roadmap must be documented in a standardised IT format in registration dossiers.

Find out more about the different IT tools here: https://newsletter.echa.europa.eu/home/-/newsletter/entry/1_16_new-generation-of-it-tools-what-changes



IUCLID 6

IUCLID (International Uniform Chemical Information Database) is a software application to record, store, maintain and exchange data on intrinsic and hazard properties of chemical substances. **It is the tool used to prepare, for example, REACH registration dossiers and applications for authorisation of biocidal products.**

See details and manuals here: <https://iuclid6.echa.europa.eu/home>

An update to IUCLID 6 is available. It brings new features, such as dossier comparison, inventories management, and an option to replace data during import. For more info: [ECHA Helpdesk contact form](#)

How to create your registration dossier in REACH-IT

If you are a member registrant and you agree with all the information submitted by the lead registrant on your behalf, you can prepare your registration dossier in REACH-IT - without having to install IUCLID.

For more information, see:

<https://echa.europa.eu/support/registration/creating-your-registration-dossier/how-to-create-your-registration-dossier-in-reach-it>

New versions of both software packages have been launched recently.



CHESAR 3

CHESAR (CHEMical Safety Assessment and Reporting tool) is an application that helps companies to carry out their Chemical Safety Assessments and to prepare their Chemical Safety Reports and Exposure Scenarios for communication in the supply chain.

Version 3 of Chesar includes additional functionalities both for the environmental and human health assessments, for example, the possibility to edit several contributing scenarios at the same time when the same changes apply to all of them. The help text has also been integrated in the application and generating your Chemical Safety Report (CSR) will also be easier. New features include, among others, the generation of ES for communication in EComXML format, SWEDs and use maps support.

Any assessments carried out with Chesar 2 will automatically be migrated to Chesar 3.

Chesar 3 will be updated and released the second week of November to be fully compatible with IUCLID 6. More information can be found here:

<https://chesar.echa.europa.eu/>





FEICA publishes Use Maps to help improve communication under REACH

By signing the CSR/ES charter (https://echa.europa.eu/documents/10162/15669641/csr_es_roadmap_statement_of_intentions_en.pdf), FEICA confirmed its support to deliver the Roadmap plan of action.

Since then, FEICA has been an active contributor to the development of aspects of the Roadmap aiming to improve the communication on safe use of chemicals along the supply chain.

As a result, and being a downstream user sector association, FEICA has developed Use Maps and related exposure packages (SWEDs, SCEDs, SpERCs) to provide information about use and use conditions, and SUMIs to provide safe use advice to end-users.

The harmonised templates for these packages are available from ECHA (<https://echa.europa.eu/csr-es-roadmap/use-maps/templates-and-submission>) and the FEICA Use Maps for adhesives and sealants are now available on the FEICA website here:

<http://www.feica.eu/our-priorities/key-projects/reach.aspx>



The FEICA Use Maps comprise the majority of industrial and professional applications of the adhesive and sealant sector

The Use Maps help registrants to understand how substances are typically handled in the adhesive and sealant industry. They aim to support Chemical Safety Assessments under REACH that reflect *relevant and realistic* information on adhesives and sealants.

Use Maps are typically generated by downstream user sector organisations, in order to ensure representation.

The FEICA Use Maps provide, in a harmonised and structured way, information on typical uses and conditions of use of adhesives and sealants that aim to support registrants in generating meaningful exposure scenarios.

All information on the FEICA Use Maps can be found on FEICA's website <http://www.feica.eu/our-priorities/key-projects/reach.aspx>.

Information on ECHA's Chemical Safety Report/Exposure Scenarios Roadmap can be

found at <https://echa.europa.eu/regulations/reach/registration/information-requirements/chemical-safety-report/csr-es-roadmap>.

For more information on the Use Maps packages, please visit the ECHA use map webpage <https://echa.europa.eu/csr-es-roadmap/use-maps/templates-and-submission>, which provides a library with the available 'sectors use packages'.

FEICA's use maps can also be found in ECHA's Use maps library here: <https://echa.europa.eu/csr-es-roadmap/use-maps/use-maps-library>





Member States agree to harmonise Poison Centre information

The legal obligations relating to the submission of information to the appointed bodies (Poison Centres) are laid down in Article 45(4) of Regulation 1272/2008 ('CLP Regulation'). See http://ec.europa.eu/growth/sectors/chemicals/poison-centres_en

Currently the information that needs to be submitted to Poison Centres across the EU can vary widely between Member States, as each individual country sets its own legislation regarding this information. This has resulted in a significant administrative burden for industry, leading to inconsistent information across member states concerning chemical products and their inherent hazards.

To resolve this issue, Member States have voted in favour of the European Commission's proposal to harmonise the information provided to Poison Centres. This proposal also establishes the format for the submission of information (harmonised XML format to facilitate harmonised submission requirements). In addition, it includes a Unique Formula Identifier (UFI) that will allow Poison Centers to rapidly identify the product involved and its composition, as well as an European Product Category System (PCS) to facilitate the transmission of information on the product's intended use in support to the statistical analysis regarding poisoning cases.

The regulation is expected to be in force for consumer mixtures by 2020, professional products by 2021 and industrial products by 2024.

In the meantime, ECHA has created a Poison Centres website where companies and Member State Competent Authorities can use a draft format to prepare for the submission of information to Poison Centres.

<https://poisoncentres.echa.europa.eu/>

New (and final) set of European Model EPDs available for our members

All FEICA EU Model EPDs have now been completed!

Rather than covering a particular range of products, EU Model EPDs are structured according to chemical composition and cover all products within a certain range of formulations and applications.

As the environmental impact of an adhesive or a sealant to a building is comparatively low (below 1%-3%), any differentiation between products would not contribute any more meaningful information due to the complexity of the system.

FEICA members and their members can declare that one or several of their products are covered by an EPD. In order to do so, they will need the FEICA guidelines that our members can request via: <http://www.feica.eu/our-priorities/key-projects/epds.aspx>

More info is also available on the Institut Bauen und Umwelt (IBU) website here: <http://ibu-epd.com/>



What is an EPD?

An Environmental Product Declaration is a comprehensive report created to internationally agreed standards (e.g. ISO 14025, EN 15804, etc.) which documents the ways in which a product affects the environment throughout its life cycle.

Left: At the general assembly of ECO platform (<http://www.eco-platform.org/>) the latest EPDs were handed over to Jana Cohrs-Rahmoun of FEICA, by Dr Burkhardt Lehmann, Managing Director Institut Bauen und Umwelt e.V. (photo ECO platform).





Adhesive and sealant Good Practice articles

Helping to raise awareness of the industry's contribution to a sustainable future

The adhesive and sealant industry is subject to increasing pressure from downstream users, upstream suppliers and EU legislators to become more sustainable.

FEICA's sustainable development committee agreed that FEICA should support the industry in the face of this pressure and demonstrate to EU policymakers and value chain stakeholders that our industry is committed to sustainable development and continues to make strides in contributing towards a sustainable world.

To help with this objective, it was decided to create "good practice" case studies that demonstrate specific examples of how the industry is making a contribution towards a sustainable future. Creating positive stories of this nature had been an objective of FEICA for some time. The challenge had always been how FEICA could gather and re-use the great materials from adhesive and sealant companies, but be seen to remain neutral and not promote specific companies, while still providing some form of acknowledgement for the contributing companies.



"Good practice stories" – a new tool to aid the communication of sustainable development

A new tool was born that met these criteria – the "good practice stories".

According to Heinz-Werner Lucas, FEICA Expert, who has been coordinating the creation of the first batch of good practice stories, "These take some of the communication materials from member companies that describe their notable products or process improvements that deliver sustainability benefits and create a brief, neutral summary that FEICA can use in print and on its website. Recognition for the relevant member company is provided in the form of references to the company's own, more comprehensive communications materials in a PDF."

The format of a good practice story comprises a short bulleted description of:

- The sustainability benefits of the end product or process improvement.
- The role played by the adhesive or sealant or process improvement.
- What is new about the development.

It also includes a diagram and a takeaway of the key points in bold at the bottom.

This is all done without mention of any company or product names. Then, for more details, readers are directed towards the member company's own materials in a PDF.

From the PDF, readers will be able to link back to the list of FEICA good practice stories or to the member company's website.

Heinz-Werner Lucas continues, "The good practice stories are adhesive and sealant 'enabling' stories, demonstrating how a small amount of an adhesive or sealant, or a process improvement, can lead to a substantial environmental benefit. However, it is essential that these are genuine articles detailing real benefits. 'Greenwashing' articles will definitely not be accepted."

First four Good Practice stories published

These are:

- Adhesives for Sustainable Development: Adhesives for Lightweight Furniture (from H.B. Fuller).
- Adhesives for Sustainable Development: Adhesive for External Thermal Insulation Composite Systems (ETICS) (from Mapei).
- Sealants for Sustainable Development: Environmentally-responsible 1-Component Sealants (from Sika).
- Adhesives for Sustainable Development: Paper glues based on plant-based raw materials, packaged in plant-based raw materials (from Bolton Adhesives).

Please note that further GP stories are currently in development, and that we will share all with you via the usual channels.

In the meantime, please feel free to send your stories to news@feica.eu.





The FEICA Sustainable Development Agenda



FEICA's vision for sustainable development is defined as follows:

"The adhesive and sealant industry is committed to enabling a growing population to live a better life and to use the planet's resources responsibly and efficiently."

With the global population expected to reach 9.2 billion by 2050, FEICA recognises that a viable and sustainable future will depend on the adhesive and sealant industry's ability to meet growing demand by more efficient use and reuse of resources.

FEICA is committed to delivering on the FEICA vision by encouraging its members to integrate sustainable development into both their strategy development and operations.



FEICA has set out its Sustainable Development Agenda, which aims to:

- Broaden and improve the understanding of sustainability in the industry.
- Promote best practice.
- Encourage the industry to increasingly engage in the development of adhesives and sealants solutions that enable customers and industries to operate more sustainably.



FEICA Secretary General Philip Bruce talking about Sustainable Development and REACH at WAC2016 in Japan (25 October)

FEICA guidance on migration testing of adhesives intended for food contact materials translated into four languages

This FEICA guidance is part of a package on **migration testing of non-plastic food contact material** developed by several sector associations from the packaging supply chain.

The FEICA guidance 'Migration testing of adhesives intended for food contact materials' outlines the specific guidelines for conformity testing of adhesives as components of food contact materials. **The guidance is now also available in German, French, Spanish and Italian via the FEICA website:**

<http://www.feica.eu/our-priorities/key-projects/food-contact.aspx>

We thank everyone who helped with reviewing the translations!

FEICA President Steve Kenny interviewed for CCE Magazine

Steve Kenny was interviewed by Construction & Civil Engineering Magazine (www.ccemagazine.com) on FEICA's role in supporting Europe's adhesive and sealant industry with a focus on sustainable development, the EU Model EPDs and the OCF Test Methods.

Read the article via the FEICA website:

<http://www.feica.eu/information-center/partner-publications.aspx>





Welcome and Farewell



Dr Boris Tasche from Henkel elected Vice President of FEICA

Boris starts his duties effective immediately. I hope that you will all extend a warm welcome to our new VP.



Biocides

Three years of working with the Biocidal Products Regulation

1 September 2016 marked three years since the Biocidal Products Regulation (BPR) entered into force. This was an important milestone. It means that all biocidal active substances that are used in the European Union must have been either approved or be under evaluation.

You can read more about “Three years of working with the Biocidal Products Regulation”, and access a video recording and presentations from the fourth Biocides Stakeholders’ Day, held in Helsinki on 1 September, in the ECHA newsletter: <https://newsletter.echa.europa.eu/home/-/newsletter/entry/three-years-of-working-with-the-biocidal-products-regulation>.



FEICA EUROPEAN EXECUTIVE BOARD 2016 - 2017

Two new Board Members were elected at the FEICA General Assembly, held on 7 September in Vienna. Denise Beachy from Dow and Boris Tasche from Henkel. Each was elected unanimously.

Left to right (bottom): Philip Bruce, FEICA Secretary General | Dr Eva Griessbach (Dow Corning Europe), European Technical Board Chair | Denise Beachy (Dow) | Dr Boris Tasche (Henkel), IVK NAM Representative and FEICA Vice President.

Top: James Igoe (F. Ball & Co), BASA NAM Representative | Rob Uytendewillegen (Bolton Adhesives) | Roberto Leoni (Mapei), AVISA NAM Representative | Laurent Peyronneau (Bostik) | Steven Kenny (H.B. Fuller Europe), FEICA President | Eric Dehasque (Sika), FEICA Treasurer.





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Desmond at the 2014 FEICA Conference and EXPO in Berlin

DESMOND WAIGHT

It is with deep regret that we inform you of the passing of Desmond Waight, from cancer, on Friday 2 September. Desmond, Director of DanGoods Ltd, was a former chair and member of the FEICA HazPro Technical Working Group and will be missed as both a friend and a colleague. Desmond leaves his wife, Lindy, children and grandchildren. We sent our condolences to Desmond's family from the FEICA team and all FEICA members.

World Adhesive & Sealant Conference 2016 (WAC2016)

Some members of the FEICA team attended the Japan Adhesive Industry Association's (JAIA) World Adhesive & Sealant Conference (WAC2016) last week. FEICA President Steve Kenny (H.B. Fuller) and FEICA Secretary General Philip Bruce attended the International Associations Heads Meeting on 25 October. FEICA's plenary lecture was held on 26 October. JAIA hosted WAC2016 at the Shinagawa Prince Hotel, Tokyo, Japan, for four days from **Tuesday, October 25 to Friday, October 28, 2016**. The World Adhesive & Sealant Conference takes place every four years, alternating between the member continents Europe, Asia and America. www.wac2016.org

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