



## Upcoming Seminars and Congresses

10-11 September (Amsterdam)

Food Integrity Global 2024

<https://newfood.events/food-integrity-global-2024/>

17-18 September (Heidenau)

Method training on the CEPI Recyclability Laboratory Test Method for recycling in standard mills. (PTS)

<https://www.ptspaper.de/en/events/seminars/course-detail/method-training-on-the-cepi-recyclability-laboratory-test-method-for-recycling-in-standard-mills/>

18-19 September (Madrid)

EDQM-AESAN Symposium on Recent developments in Food Contact Materials and Articles. (Council of Europe)

<https://www.edqm.eu/en/joint-edqm-aesan-symposium-on-recent-developments-in-food-contact-materials-and-articles->

24-26 September (Baveno)

International conference Food Contact Compliance.

<https://www.packagingmeeting.it/en/shop/food-contact-compliance/>

8-9 October (Köln / Live Stream)

Residues of food contact materials in food. (Akademie Fresenius)

<https://www.akademie-fresenius.com/events/food/residues-of-food-contact-materials-in-food>

21-23 October (Prague / Hybrid)

Functional fiber-based materials & packaging. (Centre for Management Technology)

<https://www.cmtevents.com/aboutevent.aspx?ev=241017>

22-24 October (Arlington US)

Food Packaging Law Seminar and Sustainable day program. (Keller & Heckman)

<https://www.khlaw.com/events/2024-food-packaging-law-seminar-and-sustainability-day-program>

25 October (Brussels /Online)

2nd workshop on Roadmap towards phasing out animal testing for chemical safety assessments. (European Commission Environment)

[https://environment.ec.europa.eu/events/roadmap-towards-phasing-out-animal-testing-chemical-safety-assessments-2024-10-25\\_en](https://environment.ec.europa.eu/events/roadmap-towards-phasing-out-animal-testing-chemical-safety-assessments-2024-10-25_en)

28 October (Zurich)

Swiss Symposium on Endocrine Disrupting Chemicals. (Food Packaging Forum & ETH Zurich)

<https://www.foodpackagingforum.org/events/swiss-symposium-on-endocrine-disrupting-chemicals>

14-15 November (Arlington US)

Navigating TSCA: Basics and beyond 2024 (Keller & Heckman)

<https://www.khlaw.com/events/navigating-tsca-basics-and-beyond-2024>

28 November (Paris)

31st seminar Club MCAS on food contact materials. (Program available on demand.)

[http://www.club-mcas.fr/autres\\_index/index\\_club.php](http://www.club-mcas.fr/autres_index/index_club.php)

Contact for registering: Karine Limbardet at [club-mcas@wanadoo.fr](mailto:club-mcas@wanadoo.fr)

9-11 December (Vienna)

Plastics & Paper in contact with Foodstuffs. (Smithers)

<https://www.smithers.com/services/events/2024-conferences/plastics-paper-2024>



22 January 2025 (Vienna)

Advances in safety assessment of packaging materials. (FH Campus Wien)

<https://www.fh-campuswien.ac.at/die-fh/events/advances-in-safety-assessment-of-packaging-materials-on-22-january-2025.html>

### **FAQ document on regulatory measures on mineral oils in food.**

In January DG SANTE organised a Stakeholder Forum on mineral oil hydrocarbons. (See FC update 25/01/24)

Following this event, the Commission obtained further written comments on the draft proposals. These comments were discussed in the Working Group on Industrial and Environmental Contaminants in Food of 27 and 28 June.

The replies to the general stakeholder comments, which do not relate to a specific commodity, have been compiled in an FAQ document.

[https://food.ec.europa.eu/document/download/c576ed4f-1993-44eb-b75a-3dc0637b4336\\_en?filename=cs\\_contaminants\\_catalogue\\_info-doc\\_moh\\_faq\\_regulatory-measures.pdf](https://food.ec.europa.eu/document/download/c576ed4f-1993-44eb-b75a-3dc0637b4336_en?filename=cs_contaminants_catalogue_info-doc_moh_faq_regulatory-measures.pdf)

Veerle Vanheusden (DG SANTE Unit E2) shared also, the commodity specific comments will be further discussed in the coming months, in order to come to a revised draft of the legislative proposal, which receives a general agreement from the Members States. Once such a draft is available, also the stakeholders will be timely informed. In view of the ongoing discussions, a possible vote on the proposals will be scheduled at the earliest in Q1 2025.

### **EuPIA Information Note on French Order on Mineral Oils in Printing Inks.**

[https://www.eupia.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/EuPIA-Information-Note-French-legal-texts-on-Mineral-Oils\\_20240711\\_FINAL.pdf](https://www.eupia.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/EuPIA-Information-Note-French-legal-texts-on-Mineral-Oils_20240711_FINAL.pdf)

As of 1 January 2025, very strict limit values will apply for mineral oils in printing inks. (See FC update 13/05/22)

In July, EuPIA circulated a new information note well explaining once more, the legal background, the precise provisions for mineral oils in inks from the French Order, the current situation on the market for the different printing processes, the critical issues for ink manufacturers and the plans of the EU Commission on mineral oils.

As previously reported (FC updates 29/03/24 & 30/04/24) EuPIA strongly recommends to rely for the compliance work on a chain of custody best practice approach: open discussion with printing ink manufacturers, regulatory statements based on known composition data and statements of composition for food packaging applications.

### **Swiss Packaging Institute (SVI) launches DOC project.**

As reported (See FC update 05/03/24) the Swiss printing ink ordinance has been reviewed.

In this context the Joint Industry Group for Packaging Safety (JIG) part of the SVI decided to launch a project on appropriate declarations of conformity for printing inks.

Representatives of all stakeholders along the value chain are invited to work together to develop a valid and usable solution.

Participation in the project is subject to a fee.

The project is supported by the federal government and the cantons. Dr. Thomas Gude has been appointed as project manager.

<https://svi-verpackung.ch/en/jig/>

<https://svi-verpackung.ch/en/2024/08/01/new-jig-project-on-the-declaration-of-conformity-for-printing-inks/>

