



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is EuMBC?

Created in 2001, EuMBC (former ETHIC) is a Sector Group of EuPC and an international association of companies who have manufacturing operations in the EU, EEA and Turkey.

EuMBC represents and defends the interests of the European compounds and masterbatch producers vis-à-vis the European institutions and other professional organisations. It is particularly active in all fields related to the plastic industry (e.g. REACH, Food Contact or new technologies).

As EuMBC is a sector group of EuPC, the European Association of Plastics Converters. The two groups interact on a regular basis; EuMBC is for example active in FREP (Food contact Regulatory Experts Panel), an organization within EuPC dedicated to regulatory issues of food contact plastics, aiming at defining details about real compositional requirements in guidelines but also working with other food contact actors on migration/exposure tools for the plastic industry in order to achieve compliance with the regulations.

How does EuMBC work?

EuMBC's overall objective is to defend and promote the interests of the European thermoplastic independent compounders and masterbatchers through a number of activities.

EuMBC General Assemblies take place twice a year to discuss and to advance on the organisation's objectives. The EXCOM (Executive Committee) meets also twice a year. In the meantime, our members receive continuous information and communication on the progress of EuMBC activities.

Objectives:

- **Defining and communicating EuMBC's position** on European regulations and policies
- **Influencing the law-making process** on legislation affecting our industry's activities
- Maintaining and improving **relationships with European institutions, other professional bodies and non-governmental organisations**
- Carrying out business surveys to enable members to compare their companies' performance with the European trends

EuMBC has its own **Substance Monitoring Group** that meets two to three times per year. Additionally, the association launches **specific projects according to the needs of EuMBC Members** – for example projects focusing on TiO₂, ATO, microplastics and nanomaterials. The EuMBC team can also help the member companies regarding issues with **REACH legislation, specific substance monitoring, safety data sheets** and provides **regular information & updates** on important topics concerning the industry.



What is the EuMBC Substance Monitoring Group (SMEG)?

The SMEG monitors all relevant substances from a regulatory point of view and meets two (to three) times per year to discuss technical and regulatory issues relevant for association members. All EuMBC members can and are urged to send representatives to this group.

What is the Horizon Scanning Tool – exclusively available to the members?

There are hundreds of different raw materials used by masterbatchers and compounders. Keeping track of the legislation for all of them is not easy. The horizon scanning tool developed by the EuMBC regulatory task force with input from EuMBC members is the solution to this problem. The users are able to fill the CAS numbers of all their raw materials in and the tool automatically cross-references them with all relevant regulatory lists that are regularly updated by the EuMBC staff.

What is the FOOD Contact Regulatory Expert Panel (FREP)?

FREP is the panel of plastics converters experts in food contact material regulations. It was created in 2010 to have a representative body speaking on behalf of the plastic converting industry. An EuMBC member is chosen to participate actively in this group and report to EuMBC members about the meetings and developments.

How is EuMBC structured?

EuMBC's internal organisation

Board – nominated every two years, steering the activity of the Association

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General Assembly reuniting once per year all members



















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EuMBC – Who are the members?

 <small>Plastics Reimagined</small>	Ampacet
	Avient Corporation
	Cabot Corporation
 <small>THE MAKERS OF MASTERBATCH A MEMBER OF THE INNO-COMP</small>	Colloids - TOSAF
 <small>Member of KafrilGroup</small>	CONSTAB Polyolefin Additives
	Gabriel-Chemie Group
	INNO-COMP Group
	Kunststof-Kemi
	LATI
	Lyondellbasell
	Maip Group
	Mitsubishi Chemical Europe
	Mixer Compounds
 <small>BRINGS OUT THE BEST IN PLASTICS</small>	Polykemi Group
	Polymer Chemie
	Polytechs
	Qolortech
 <small>SUSTAINABLE IDEAS</small>	Sirmax



Sun Chemical Color Solutions



Teknor Apex

When and where are the EuMBC meetings?

Twice per year all EuMBC members are invited to join the Annual Conference (in May in Brussels) as well as the Annual General Assembly in combination with a SMEG meeting, dinner and a visit of a European city (October/November).

How can you become a member?

If you would like to apply for membership or receive more information about EuMBC please visit our website www.compounders.eu or send us an e-mail at info@compounders.eu.

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