

Agenda

To : FEIBP WG PHB Charter

Subject : **Meeting WG PHB Charter**

Date : **8-9-2016**

Starting : **14.00 - 15.30 hours**

Place : **Radisson Blu Hotel
Edinburgh**

From : Fons Ceelaert

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1. Opening

Welcome by chairman Philip Coward.

2. Report of the meeting of the WG PHB, held on 1 April 2016

./ This report has been disseminated among the members of the Working Group and is enclosed.

3. FEIBP Declaration of Compliance

Some comments were made on the scope and content of the proposed Declaration of Compliance

a. Food contact or not?

Observation WG PHB

Not all products with food contact require a declaration, but the interpretation of the regulation is not always very clear.

Question

What kind of products are excluded?

Clarification

Some items in the hygiene range of any company never come into contact with food, such as a broom for outside purposes or squeegees for large floors.

What was discussed is the actual meaning of the regulations.

b. Reference to Annex IV of EU Regulation 10/2011

Additional remark

Important to cover all the requirements out of this Regulation in the Declaration.

Proposal to mention explicitly:

- The identity of the materials and the articles should be listed
- Specification regarding the type of foods, contact time and temperature from the migration analysis.

c. Use of the FEIBP Declaration compulsory for the registered companies

Question

The obligation to provide a declaration is good.

But is it compulsory to use the official FEIBP PHB Charter Declaration or is a similar template acceptable as well?

Proposal

- To agree on the final version of the FEIBP Declaration of Compliance
- Release official FEIBP statement (French and English version) on the introduction of the Declaration of Compliance / Press release

4. Customers Instruction Leaflet / Introduction to the PHB Charter

To promote the PHB Charter and explain it to the end-users and registered companies' customers it was agreed to develop a PR leaflet

A draft leaflet is proposed (see report 1 April 2016) and some suggestions for additions were received (indicated in RED):

- ~~PHB products are a guarantee for quality products~~
The hygiene brushware products are manufactured according to the high quality standards of the PHB Charter
- The PHB trademark logo is EU registered
- The PHB Charter is in compliance with international and national legislation regarding hygiene brushware products
- PHB products are suitable for use in HACCP system of the customer / user
- The FEIBP declaration of compliance to EU food contact regulations will be issued for individual brushware product delivered. These individual compliance declarations are required by the EU Regulations
- The FEIBP declaration of compliance includes the obligation to carry out migration tests. Migration tests are required by EU Regulations.

- The PHB registered companies consist of a group of innovative EU companies making high level design of manual cleaning tools, member of EHEDG
- PHB registered companies are manufacturers of hygiene brushware and ancillary cleaning equipment
- Any supplier / trader of PHB products is entitled to refer to the PHB Charter
- Only the PHB registered company is entitled to use the PHB logo in PR outings (catalogues, websites, leaflets etc) and the PHB registered company informs the supplier / trader about this
- All PHB registered companies and their portfolio of hygiene brushware products are to be found on www.eurobrush.com
- All PHB companies are member of the FEIBP, the European Brushware federation

Proposal

- To agree on the final version of the Instruction / PR leaflet
- Official FEIBP statement and press release on this new initiative

5. Revision FEIBP constitution

At the General Assembly of the 58th FEIBP congress, Friday 9 September 2016, a proposal for the revision of the FEIBP constitution will be presented.

Elements relevant for the PHB Charter

- FEIBP is primarily a brushware manufacturers federation for (geographical) Europe
- Brushware companies outside Europe can join FEIBP as affiliate member, but these companies are not allowed to participate into specific FEIBP activities, such as the PHB Charter. No registration.

6. Economic Outlook

7. Date next meeting WG PHB Charter

8. Closure