



Cross Industry Agreement – 9th Technical Meeting 30 September 2020

Meeting Report (public)

Opening, objectives & updates

EURATEX on behalf of the five CIA signatories welcomed the participants at the meeting which address: technical aspects of the CIA test method and CEN; ii) CIA communication; iii) interests in Horizon 2020 project proposal, iv) standard of liquid detergent formulation

i) Technical aspects of the CIA test method

The CIA test method has been addressed in the CEN Working Group on Microplastics which kicked-off in September 2020. Several members of the CIA community are Members of the CEN working group, The scope of the CEN WG is to set standardized test methods for the determination of the release, identification and evaluation of microplastics from textile sources, during manufacture and use, divided into two parts. The timing and the opportunity to speed up the completion of an official EN standard was discussed. More on the CEN standardisation process can be find [here](#) and [here](#).

ii) CIA communication activities

EURATEX introduced an outline of a brochure on the CIA community work and results aimed to be publicly released in November. Two communication documents were discussed: one introducing the CIA, stressing the science-based approach, the value of harmonised method, the usability of the method to enable large scale use, lessons learned by the CIA community throughout the whole process, myths versus facts, acknowledgement of stakeholders involved. A second communication in 2021 would address toxicology aspects and policy recommendations.

iii) Horizon 2020 project proposal

Participants agreed to map and survey interests and actions to avoid work duplication and decision on the proposal contents based on the call's scope.

iv) Standard of liquid detergent formulation proposal

AISE proposed contributions for a liquid detergent standard formulation which could be used as reference. Similar standardization work already carried out was mention and further discussion will look at details and options.

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RISE informed of [Zero microplastics challenge 2020](#) welcoming start-ups to express interests

Conclusions and next steps

Participants agreed on the following:

- CIA signatories to further develop brochure text and visual material
- CIA signatories and community to outline info relevant for a project concept
- EURATEX to update communication in the CIA webpage



Participants

Organisation

Aquafil - on behalf of behalf of CIRFS
AAFA, USA
AATCC, USA
AITEK, Spain
CNR, Italy
Henkel – on behalf of AISE
Hohenstein, Germany
JTF, Japan
LEITAT, Spain
Niederrhein, Germany
Radici Group – on behalf of CIRFS
RISE, Sweden
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