



SlipSafe Workshop

KEY INNOVATIONS FOR THE NEXT FLOORING GENERATION

27 January 2017

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PROGRAMME

09:30 - 10:00	Registration
10:00 - 10:10	Welcome & Introduction to the SlipSafe project Alexandre Dangis, Managing Director, EuPC
10:10 - 11:00	Outcome of the Slipsafe project <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technical overview on the SlipSafe project Jan Diemert, Polymer-Engineering, Fraunhofer Institut für Chemische Technologie
11:00 - 11:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation of a new slip test device for in situ testing Martin Becken, Managing Director, GTE Industrieelektronik GmbH
11:30 - 12:00	Coffee Break
12:00 - 12:20	EU funding in the development of Research and Innovation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• H2020 SME Instrument programme Cathy Pouret, Project Officer, European Commission, EASME - Executive Agency for the Small and Medium-sized Enterprises
12:20 - 12:40	Vision of the Standard Bodies, Associations and Industry <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The importance of slip resistance testing Jens Fellhauer, Managing Director, Bundesverband Keramische Fliesen e.V. and Convenor of CEN TC 339 Slip
12:40 - 13:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• CFA - a 21st Century Trade Body Richard Catt, CEO, Contract Flooring Association (CFA)
13:00 - 13:20	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Industrial perspective on slip resistance solutions Olivier Ceysson, R&D - Innovation and Strategy Director, Gerflor
	Closing & Networking Lunch



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SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES



Alexandre Dangis – Managing Director European Plastics Converters

Alexandre started his professional career in the plastics industry in 1988 by working for a Swiss machinery manufacturer MAG Plastics selling injection moulding and blow moulding machines. Since 1998, he has held the position of Managing Director of EuPC (European Plastic Converters). In 2004, he created Polymer Comply Europe, a service provider for the plastics industry specialised in EU legislation. PCE works closely with industry developing an in-depth knowledge and wide experience in EU Regulatory Compliance, Association Management and Projects & Studies.



Jan Diemert – Polymer-Engineering, Fraunhofer Institut für Chemische Technologie

Jan studied Mechanical Engineering at the Technical University of Aachen, Germany. He is working in the department for Polymer-Engineering of the Fraunhofer Institute for Chemical Technology ICT in Pfinztal, Germany since 1998. In 2003, he obtained his doctoral degree at the University of Stuttgart and became Deputy Director of the Department for Polymer-Engineering, working on a broad range of polymer processing topics. Since 2011, he is funding and Board member of the ECP4, the European Composites, Plastics and Polymers Processing Platform, which promotes European research to small and medium size companies in the polymer processing sector.



Martin Becken – Managing Director, GTE Industrieelektronik GmbH

A graduate in Electrical Engineering from the University of Aachen, Martin held the senior and executive management position at GTE Industrieelektronik for the past seven years. He has been working for the company for a total of 21 years, focusing on measurement technology in particular. He has been highly involved in the measurement of sliding friction for about 20 years. In the field of measurement technology for tribology, he brings 15 years of experience. Martin has been also part of the Slipsafe Project from the very beginning and is currently working on further research projects.



Catherine Pouret – Project Officer, European Commission, EASME - Executive Agency for the Small and Medium-sized Enterprises

Catherine is a Project Officer at EASME (Executive Agency for SMEs which has been set-up by the European Commission to manage several EU programmes on its behalf. She has worked for the EU for more than twelve years and has been responsible in providing support and advice to innovative SMEs in Europe and their navigation through the different EU research and innovation programmes. Since May 2014, she has worked within the SME Instrument unit of EASME, where she is responsible for the topic "Engaging SMEs in security research and development". She is also responsible for managing the ethics issues and the Fast-Track to Innovation projects.



Jens Felhauer – Managing Director, Bundesverband Keramische Fliesen e.V. and Convenor of CEN TC 339 Slip

Jens currently holds the position of Managing Director of Bundesverband Keramische Fliesen e.V., which he started in 2002. Since 2004, he has been Deputy Convenor of the German mirror Committee of CEN TC 67, ISO 189 and the DIN Committee regarding slip resistance. Since 2002, he is member of CEN TC 67 an ISO 189 and since 2003 member of the "Fachausschuss bauliche Einrichtungen – Bodensicherheit". He is also Convenor of CEN TC 339 since 2010 and Convenor of ISO TC WG 10 (slip resistance) since 2014.



Richard Catt – CEO, Contract Flooring Association (CFA)

Richard has approximately 30 years of experience in the flooring industry, originally working within manufacturing. He joined the British Contract Flooring Association in 2007. His role includes attending lobbying events at the Houses of Parliament, sitting on advisory committees for the industry, working on standards and CFA publications and strategic management of the CFA. He writes a monthly column in an industry journal and is Director of the Flooring Industry training association (FITA).

Olivier Ceysson – R&D - Innovation and Strategy Director, Gerflor

Olivier obtained an Engineering diploma specialising in Polymer and his Doctor's degree in Polymer Materials from Ecole Centrale de Lyon, France. He has more than 20 years of experience in R&D and the plastics materials field in different industrial areas (Aeronautics, Household appliances, Building & Construction). He joined GERFLOR Group - a leader in plastic flooring - in 2001. At present, he is R&D and Innovation Director being responsible for new products, new materials and new processes.