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| MC meeting 08/2022 | |
| Minutes | Webconference Tuesday 18 October 2022 10:30-15:30 CET |

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| **Participants**  Giuseppe Abello, Assocasa  Ina Andreasen, Reckitt  Sonia Benacquista, FHER  Giorgia De Berardinis, Colpal  Pilar Espina, Adelma  Bernd Glassl, IKW  Ad Jespers, Diversey  Marten Kops, NVZ  Eleni Papadimitriou, PG  Rob Roggeband, P&G  Felix Rustemeyer, Henkel  Françoise van Tiggelen, Detic *(until 12:45)*  Edward Whittle, SC Johnson  *Apologies:*  Agnieszka Bielach, Ecolab |  | *From A.I.S.E. (for their respective agenda topics):*  Elodie Cazelle  Cindy Chhuon  Majlinda Cobaj  Luca Conti  Dave Hemingway  Bahar Koyuncu  Sascha Nissen  Aisling O’Kane  Jan Robinson  Amelie Weber  Susanne Zänker |

1. Welcome & reminder of competition law

Members were welcomed and the competition law rules were reminded; all agreed to adhere to them.

1. approval of the agenda

The timing of the agenda was slightly changed -due to several demands of members to finish the meeting earlier- by shortening the break. The agenda was approved with the following additional topics:

7.1. PVOH films

7.2. Revision of the Waste Framework Directive

1. APPROVAL OF [MINUTES](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19183) & REVIEW OF ACTIONS OF LAST MEETING (6 sepT. 22)

The Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

As to the *ACTIONS*, the following update was provided:

* Irritancy Panel and collaboration with the Fraunhofer ISC: ***ACTION:*** Feedback from the companies is still awaited and the MC was asked to come back to C. Chhuon shortly. (MC)
* Dangerous Goods Transportation: ***ACTION:*** Call for experts to be launched with the members. (J. Robinson)
* OSPAR: A nomination from Colgate Palmolive had been received to become the A.I.S.E. representative on the “MIME” working group, namely James Maiorana. The MC endorsed the nomination and thanked James for taking up the task.

All other actions have been carried out or will be covered via the agenda.

1. governance
   1. **Update from last Board meetings** ([19/09/22](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19190) and [11/10/22](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19391))

The following points not covered by the MC agenda have been reported:

* *Strategic priorities and structure:* the Board agreed with the proposal; the financing aspects are still pending hence the demand for additional staff at A.I.S.E. level; (see also below agenda item 5.5)
* *Elevating the Charter & involvement of consultants:* Board agreed, with emphasis on the financial input stemming from the Charter members (see below agenda item 6.1.)
* *Governance:* 
  + *Format of the 7th of December meetings:* Boardagreed to the virtual format, based on the assessment of the current situation and members’ feedback*.*
  + *Board observer seat for October 2022 till October 2023:* Thomas Rauch (IHO) was confirmed to reconduct his mandate.
  + *Membership matters:* A new Associate Member was approved, namely Symrise (mainly fragrance supplier) to become observer until the official endorsement by the GA 2023.
  + *A.I.S.E. finances & membership fees:* The Financial TF will assess the financial situation of A.I.S.E., taking into account the inflation, legally required salary indexation, work programme and required FTE, the end of year results and the current operational reserve. A proposal should be submitted to the Feb 2023 Board meeting.

For more details see also [the Minutes](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19391) of the last Board meeting.

1. key topics for discussion / decision
   1. **Biocides**

Update from the Biocides CA meeting: [refer to the slides](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19365).   
Proposal to terminate the PT6 (preservatives) TF: the MC endorsed the proposal from the Biocides WG to terminate the PT6 TF, and “move” the general activities related to preservatives under the Biocides WG.  
***ACTION:  
- Include changes into the overview of the working groups/ task forces (E. Cazelle)***

* 1. **CSS** 
     1. GRA/essential Use Update

The Strategic Priority Steering Group held a call with AMFEP on 28 September to exchange on advocacy strategy for enzymes. A follow-up was agreed but is still to be scheduled due to availability issues. AMFEP will be a contributor to the A.I.S.E. Cleaning & Hygiene Forum in December.

The legislative proposal for revision of REACH is expected to be delayed to Q4 2023 in the announcement of the EC Work Programme 2023 (*post-meeting note:* confirmed) and thus be addressed in the next parliamentary cycle. This however does not affect advocacy plans, since the Commission will be developing its implementation plan for GRA in the meantime. DUCC is due to finalise its key messages and process flowchart this week and start outreach.  
 ***ACTION:  
- Schedule follow-up meeting with AMFEP (J. Robinson/D. Hemingway)***

* + 1. Reach Supply Chain Communication TF: approval of ToR

The MC endorsed the Terms of Reference for the re-branded TF. The call for participation yielded only five volunteers, so the call will be extended and MC members were asked to remind relevant colleagues.

It was noted that the work of this TF is likely to intersect with activities on Digital Product Passport (and also digitalisation of labels). It is too early to speculate on these developments, but the TF will monitor and support these activities as appropriate, and may adapt its deliverables accordingly.

* 1. **CEAP**
     1. ESPR Update

The Secretariat provided an overview of the ongoing activities of A.I.S.E. on ESPR. It was reported the ongoing work on the ordinary legislative timeline, our messages and the related outreach activities aimed at including A.I.S.E. proposed amendments in the text.

* 1. **EU Ecolabel – A.I.S.E.’s involvement in revision of criteria for detergents**

The MC agreed to the SSG recommendation, i.e.:

* Keep A.I.S.E. involvement resources to a minimum for the moment.
* A.I.S.E. team to attend EUEB meeting on 16th Nov, where it is expected that DG ENV will present on the revision of criteria for detergents and foreseen timelines. Afterwards, A.I.S.E. team to monitor and report back (rationale: limited time until meeting and thus not possible to decide on revival of an EU Ecolabel TF to agree on a position beforehand).
* Based on the outcome of the EUEB meeting, A.I.S.E.’s involvement in criteria revision and installation of a dedicated TF can be evaluated.

In this context, the relevance of EU Ecolabel criteria for the PC&H sector was highlighted, and it was agreed to involve the PC&H SG in the topic.

*Post-meeting note:* according to the agenda of the EUEB meeting on 16th Nov, the prolongation until 31 December 2026 of EU Ecolabel criteria for detergents product groups and indoor cleaning services will be on the table. Only 15 minutes are planned for this item on the EUEB meeting agenda. There is no agenda item on the revision of EU Ecolabel criteria for detergents product groups (see email, sent by S. Nissen on 20 Oct).

* 1. **A.I.S.E. Strategic work plan review 2022 – 2023** 
     1. Content & prioritities

The overview of the revised work plan 2022-2023 had been sent in pre-reading and was discussed taking also into account topics that occurred since the adoption by the GA in June, such as e.g. ESPR. A question was raised whether the delay of the Commission’s publication of the REACH revision would have an impact on the work plan. It was clarified, that parts of relevance for our sector such as i.e. GRA, MAF or parts being dealt with via implementing acts will continue to require our input and therefore no changes in FTE can be made in our excel table.   
In summary, the work plan exceeds the necessary resources from the A.I.S.E. secretariat, which means that support from members is key to undertake the actions. The principles set by the MC in spring were reminded such as focus on the priorities, members support, etc.  
***ACTION:  
- Provide feedback to the excel sheet of the work plan by 21 October (MC)***

*Post-meeting note*: No further feedback from the MC was received, enclosed the [latest “cleaned-up” version](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19397).

* + 1. Structure: Setting up 5 (strategic) priorities steering groups (PSGs)

With the agreement of the Board, 5 priority steering groups with multi-displinary competences will be set up. The Terms of References, mandates, etc. will now be drafted by the A.I.S.E. team to formally put the PSGs in place.  
***ACTION:  
- Set up the governance of the PSGs and implement agreed structure (A.I.S.E. secretariat)***

* + 1. Strategic work plan 2023 – 2024: preparation process

The NAC proposed that for drafting and discussing the next version on the A.I.S.E. work plan (2023-2024) they would appoint a delegation from the NAC. This delegation would then also physically attend the joint MC/ NAC working session in March 2023. They felt it more efficient to run the discussion with a reduced team rather a full NAC and MC, which could lead to 40 people. The MC appreciated the idea, and potentially would process in a similar way, at least in the preparation for the March meeting. The NAC will be informed and appoint volunteers for the drafting the work plan.

* 1. **CESIO 2023 – follow up enquiry**

Input from the MC was being sought about its contribution to the CESIO conference in Rome June 2023. (see pre-reading). As no feedback was received prior to the MC, a new deadline was set.  
**ACTION:  
- Provide input to potential topics or speakers at the CESIO conference by 28 October (MC).**

* 1. **Taxonomy**

F. Rustemeyer referred to the importance for companies on the criteria linked to the sustainable financing legislation, in particular taxonomy and the commercial and financial implications for companies in this regard. A call for experts to the next Commission’s platform to discuss criteria was just published and the participation of A.I.S.E. was put forward to the MC. The MC suggested in view of the very horizontal aspect to involve DUCC.

See also [slides](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19373) and for the webinar on taxonomy Video download [HERE](https://www.dropbox.com/s/w57q8zqn9qlqzc8/IVK%20Webinar%20-%20EU%20Taxonomy%20Regulation_geschnitten.mp4?dl=0) ; and for the call by the EU COM: [Call for applications for the selection of members of the Platform on Sustainable Finance (europa.eu)](https://eur05.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Ffinance.ec.europa.eu%2Fpublications%2Fcall-applications-selection-members-platform-sustainable-finance_en&data=05%7C01%7Csusanne.zaenker%40aise.eu%7Ca9ba1bef228441d19b3108dab73b0ecf%7Cf2bb4852857f4cca9093cea799bf1c11%7C1%7C0%7C638023761531667304%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C3000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=o48dCaCuGrc15fvwR4S%2FUZrdxLFRO9W9%2B6clyIrvB6M%3D&reserved=0)

***Post-meeting note*:** An inquiry had been sent to DUCC to explore for a candidate to participate in the EU Commission platform on sustainable financing. The feedback from DUCC seems rather limited, as most are struggling with resources and experts. Additionally, a conference call with CEFIC’s issue manager on sustainable financing was organised to explore potential collaboration, in view of their extended expertise.

* 1. **Endorsement of** [**dates for 2023**](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19375) **MC meetings** *(see below\*)*

The draft dates were approved.

1. Topics for information

Refer to [annotated agenda](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19363). No comments nor questions were raised – apart from points mentioned below.

* 1. **Next Charter revision - Involvement of consultancy for project management**

The A.I.S.E. team was asked to inform the ordinary Charter members on the membership fee increase asap.

* 1. **SSbD - Involvement in case study**
  2. **UCPD – Update on recent developments**

See annotated agenda.

* 1. **CLP and Detergents Regulation revision**
  2. **Intentionally-added microplastics – restriction proposal**
  3. **OSPAR Nominations**

The nomination of James Maiorana (Colgate-Palmolive) as observer for A.I.S.E was endorsed by the MC and OSPAR accordingly informed.

1. any other items
   1. **PVOH films**  
      A.I.S.E. was asked during an informal exchange with DG GROW about the option to regulate PVOH films under the Detergents Regulation, with the “10-day window” (taken from OECD TG 301) as an additional pass criterion for biodegradability of the films. The relevant LDC SG, PVOH experts were consulted for a preliminary opinion and DG GROW concluded that policy options will remain ultimately with DG ENV – not in Detergents Regulation. See [communication on 6 Oct](file:///C:\Users\cindy.chhuon\Desktop\For%20info%20%20PVOH%20discussion%20with%20DG%20GROW.htm) from Cindy Chhuon.
   2. **Revision of the Waste Framework Directive**Building also on the discussion at the last MC, it was proposed to take up the topic of the classification of hazardous waste as part of the review of the Waste Framework Directive (WFD) to A.I.S.E.’s workplan. With the foreseen introduction of a Digital Product Passport, hazardous waste classification may be more strictly applied for contaminated packaging to be considered as non-recyclable, while the criteria for this seem non-reasonable. It was therefore suggested, as part of the WFD review, to advocate for a more scientific approach based on a recyclability assessment for the classification of hazardous waste. It was highlighted that the scope of the WFD review has been limited to textile waste and food waste reduction targets and that the opportunity to influence this would therefore need to be assessed. G. Abello, I. Andreasen, P. Espina, R. Roggeband and F. Rustemeyer expressed interest for their organisations to join this work.  
      ***ACTION:   
      - I. Andreasen to formulate problem statement and scope on the topic.***
2. Next Date & close of meeting

Tuesday 22 November 2022, 10:30 – 16:00, Brussels (A.I.S.E.)

**\*Dates endorsed for 2023: full calendar available** [**HERE**](https://aise.wall.idloom.com/#/filelastversion/19375)

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| **MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** | | |
| Tuesday 24 January 2023 | 10:30 – 16:00 | Brussels (A.I.S.E.) |
| Tuesday 14 February 2023 | 10:30-15:30 | Webconference |
| Tuesday 21 March 2023 (+ joint lunch with NAC) | 10:30 – 13:00 | Brussels |
| Tuesday 21 March 2023 ***(joint meeting with NAC)*** | 13:30-16:00 | Brussels |
| Tuesday 18 April 2023 | 10:30-15:30 | Webconference |
| Tuesday 16 May 2023 | 10:30 – 16:00 | Brussels |
| Tuesday 20 June 2023 | 10:30-15:30 | Webconference |
| Tuesday 19 September 2023 | 10:30 – 16:00 | Brussels |
| Tuesday 17 October 2023 | 10:30-15:30 | Webconference |
| Tuesday 21 November 2023 | 10:30 – 16:00 | Brussels (A.I.S.E.) |

**Meeting closure: 14h15**

**ACTIONs RECAP**

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| ***What*** | ***who*** | ***when*** |
| ***3. Irritancy Panel & Fraunhofer ISC: provide feedback to C.Chhuon*** | ***MC members*** | **asap** |
| ***Dangerous Goods Transportation: call for experts to be launched with members*** | ***J.Robinson*** | **asap** |
| ***5.1. Biocides: include changes into the overview of the working groups/ task forces*** | ***E.Cazelle*** | ***asap*** |
| ***5.2.1. GRA : schedule follow-up meeting with AMFEP*** | ***J.Robinson /***  ***D. Hemingway*** | ***asap*** |
| ***5.5.1. provide feedback to the excel sheet of the workplan*** | ***MC Members*** | ***By 21 October*** |
| ***5.5.2. : Set up the governance of the PSGs and implement agreed structure*** | ***Secretariat*** | ***asap*** |
| ***5.6. CESIO: p*rovide input to potential topics or speakers at the CESIO conference** | ***MC Members*** | ***By 28 October*** |
| ***7.2. Revision of the Waste Framework Directive: formulate problem statement and scope on the topic.*** | ***I. Andreasen*** | ***asap*** |

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