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European Digital Training Platform to be launched on 1st November 2021

The manufacturers of diisocyanates in Europe, represented by ISOPA and ALIPA, will launch together with major European Downstream Associations a new digital training platform on the 1st of November. This platform will be available for all users of diisocyanates across Europe.

Why a digital training platform?

The new EU REACH Restriction has brought new requirements for companies placing disocyanates on the market and their users in Europe. As part of the provisions, all industrial and professional users will need to get trained for the safe use of disocyanates. This requirement must be met before 24th August 2023. The member companies of ISOPA and ALIPA as well as trade associations of relevant downstream users worked closely together to develop the required set of training material.

About the platform

On www.safeusediisocyanates.eu, suppliers and users can find all the necessary material to be trained according to the REACH requirements. The platform offers nearly 50 training paths, including three videos on sensitization, personal protective equipment and first aid. The content will be available first in English on 1st November and in German on 1st December. The platform will then be translated into all relevant EU languages, yet also in several languages covering states outside the EU.

How to register and start the training?

Access for self-eLearning will be available for a nominal fee per trainee. On the platform you will find a help center, a tutorial, an introduction for trainer registration, materials for face-to-face trainings as well as virtual classroom trainings.

Who's behind the initiative?

The platform is a collaborative effort bringing together the manufacturers of diisocyanates in Europe, represented by <u>ISOPA</u> and <u>ALIPA</u>, and major European Downstream Associations such as <u>Europur</u> (flexible foam), <u>Euro-Moulders</u> (moulded foam), <u>PU Europe</u> (rigid foam), <u>FEICA</u> (adhesives and sealants), <u>CEPE</u> (painting and coating), <u>EFCC</u> (construction chemicals), <u>Icomia</u> (marine industry) and <u>PDA Europe</u> (polyurea). Those partners represent most of the European workforce affected by the new regulation.

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