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About FPF The Food Packaging Forum's overall objective is to make scientific facts and expert opinions about food contact materials and health issues accessible to all stakeholders. The Food Packaging Forum is an independent, charitable non-profit organization. We communicate high-quality scientific information and enable a balanced dialogue on the issue of healthy food contact materials.

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Four Points by Sheraton
Sihlcity, Kalandergasse 1, Zurich, Switzerland

About the workshop The Food Packaging Forum's second annual workshop is dedicated to hazardous chemicals in food contact materials (FCMs). A recent study by the Food Packaging Forum revealed that known chemicals of concern are knowingly and intentionally used in the manufacture of FCMs. During the workshop, participants will learn from internationally renowned experts how hazardous chemicals are managed in FCMs, how their risk is assessed, how chemical analytical work helps to ensure the safety of food packaging, and what emerging issues are related to the risk of chemicals in FCMs. We will also hear from government officials and experts from the European Union and the US about the regulatory framework for food contact materials in these countries. Specialists from the food industry and from retail will share how food packaging safety, related to hazardous chemicals, is managed. Finally, different approaches for identifying chemical hazards in food contact materials will be shown.

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Program

Chair

PD Dr. Martin Scheringer, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology and President of the Food Packaging Forum Foundation Board

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08:00 Registration and Coffee

09:00 Welcome and introduction

Prof. Martin Scheringer,
*Swiss Federal Institute of Technology and Food Packaging Forum
Foundation Board, Switzerland*

09:05 Chemical risk assessment: an introduction

Prof. Thomas Backhaus,
*University of Gothenburg, Sweden and Food Packaging Forum
Foundation Board, Switzerland*

09:30 Chemicals of concern in food contact materials - an analysis by the FPF

Dr. Birgit Geueke,
Food Packaging Forum, Switzerland

10:00 Coffee break

10:30 Establishing the level of safety concern for chemicals in food without the need for toxicity testing

Dr. Benoît Schilter
Head of chemical food safety, Nestlé, Switzerland

11:00 Is BPA a weak estrogen?

Prof. Angel Nadal,
*Universidad Miguel Hernández de Elche, Spain and Food Packaging
Forum Foundation Board, Switzerland*

11:30 Bisphenol A and female reproductive health

Prof. Russ Hauser,
Harvard School of Public Health, US

12:00 Lunch break

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13:30 Ensuring safety and compliance of food contact materials

Dr. Konrad Grob,

Official Food Safety Authority, Canton of Zurich, Switzerland

14:00 Chemical food safety in the US - an analysis of FDA's scientific basis for assessing chemical risk

Tom Neltner,

United States

14:30 Coffee break

15:00 Non-intentionally added substances (NIAS) in food contact materials

Dr. Marisa Escudero Hernandez,

European Food Safety Authority, Italy

15:30 Safety of food packaging from a retailer's perspective

Paul Earnshaw,

Packaging Manager, TESCO, United Kingdom

16:00 Discussion and closing

16:30 Adjourn

Blue titles are preliminary

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How to get there

Address: Four Points by Sheraton
Kalandergerasse 1, CH-8045 Zurich

From the Central Station:

Tram 13 (direction 'Albisgütli') to the stop 'Sihlcity Nord' (approx. 10 min.)

From Zurich Airport:

With S-Bahn S2 to Enge trainstation (Bahnhof Enge, leaves every 30 min.), then with Tram 5 (direction 'Laubegg') or 13 (direction 'Albisgütli') to 'Sihlcity Nord'

Train tickets may be purchased in advance from <https://www.sbb.ch/>

Accommodation

A large variety of accommodation is available in Zurich city.

At the conference location a number of rooms have been reserved for Workshop participants (reduced rates may be obtained with the promo code you will receive after successful registration):

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