

European Superabsorbent Polymers Working Group Terms of Reference

What is the European Superabsorbent Polymers Working Group?

The Superabsorbent Polymers Working Group consists of member companies of EDANA, which produce superabsorbent polymers. The products represented are crosslinked partially neutralised polyacrylates (superabsorbent polyacrylates).

Objectives

- Be recognised as the voice of industry on all issues with a European scope relevant to superabsorbent polyacrylates and to be sought out for views and high-quality information
- Promote industry best practice through product stewardship and open dialogue with stakeholders in Europe
- Promote a scientific, regulatory and public opinion environment that maintain optimal conditions for the manufacturing, marketing and use of superabsorbent polyacrylates in Europe
- Collect data and provide information about the industry in Europe within the limits of EDANA's competition guidelines
- Maintain contacts with partner associations and with relevant authorities, institutions, and organisations in Europe

Who should attend?

Any EDANA member company with experience related to all the above objectives and who is manufacturing superabsorbent polyacrylates in Europe can appoint one or more representatives to participate in this Working Group.

Participation in a group is subject to the EDANA guidelines.

Benefits/deliverables

- Promotion of the benefits and the sustainability of superabsorbent polyacrylates
- Influence on European regulatory and policy developments relevant to the products and the industry
- Joint industry positions and guidelines

Related Groups

This group operates within the remit of Industry & Supply Chain Steering Group, and on close cooperation with the Global Superabsorbent Polymers Supply Chain Working Group.

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