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**THE EUROPEAN
ASSOCIATION
AWARDS 2018**

FINALIST
Best Association
Communications Campaign

European Plasticisers finalist at European Association Awards!

Our annual media field trip was shortlisted at the [European Association Awards](#) under the 'Best Association Communications Campaign' category. Since 2013, and with the support of VinylPlus, we have taken well over 30 international trade journalists to visit PVC manufacturing plants and recyclers. The European Association Awards recognise excellence and exceptional quality delivered by associations across Europe.

REGULATORY UPDATES

DINP – ECHA's RAC concludes no classification is required

ECHA's Risk Assessment Committee (RAC) concluded, on March 7, that Di-isononyl phthalate (DINP) does not warrant classification for reprotoxic effects under the EU's Classification, Labelling and Packaging (CLP) regulation. The proposal had triggered an intense scientific debate including a complete re-analysis of the raw data of a key study conducted by scientists at the Danish Technical University. European Plasticisers believes the outcome of the discussion brings a strong reassuring message to both industry and consumers on the safety of flexible vinyl articles made with DINP. >> [Read more](#)

RAC decision on classification of DIOP as cat 1B

On 9 March, ECHA's Risk Assessment Committee issued its opinion to classify DiOP under the Classification, Labelling and Packaging (CLP) regulation as reprotoxic category 1B. In light of the weight of evidence debate around the available data on DiOP, European Plasticisers agrees with the classification proposal. The production of DiOP in Europe was stopped in 1994.

WHAT'S NEW ONLINE



NEW VIDEO! Dr Swaen talks science, policy & public opinion

Dr Swaen, from the University of Maastricht, explains the importance of following a protocol when conducting scientific research. He also discusses the role of science in policy-making, conflicts of interest and how trust and scientific responsibility are key to providing evidence-based politics. >> [Watch & share](#)

'The power of many' factsheet

Whenever PVC needs to have high elasticity and flexibility, plasticisers are there to do the job. But, did you know that they can do much more? Today, over 90% of all plasticisers sold in Europe are used in flexible PVC applications. Still, the remaining 10% is used in a wide range of applications which improve our daily life. >> [Download](#)



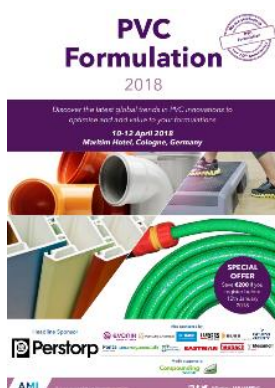
Find a plasticiser on our updated database

Category	Name	Accepted	CE	REACH	RoHS	Restrictions	Applications	Classification
Adhesive	Carboxyl copolymer	10276	2004-10	✓	✓	✓	✓	Not class.
Adhesive	Diethyl sebacate	10114	2004-10	✓	✓	✓	✓	Not class.
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We have recently updated the online table listing well over 60 different plasticisers. Users can easily find the name and acronym of a wide range of substances, as well as some brief information about their possible applications and regulatory status. >> [Access database](#)

EVENTS

PVC Formulation Conference 2018



We will participate with a booth and sponsorship at the PVC Formulation Conference, which will take place from 10-12 April 2018 at the Maritim Hotel in Cologne. Industry experts will discuss the optimisation of rigid, flexible and foamed PVC formulations for a wide variety of applications. They will also address key issues regarding sustainability, recycling, regulatory developments and improving the perception of PVC. >> [Find out more](#)

VinylPlus Sustainability Forum 2018

European Plasticsers will be present at the sixth edition of the VinylPlus Sustainability Forum which will take place on 16-17 May in Madrid. “*Meeting Societal Needs*” is the theme for this year’s forum which will explore how the vinyl industry can provide concrete and sustainable solutions to improve human wellbeing. >> [Find out more& register](#)



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