

Independent Webinar: Proposed (Dutch) Styrene Reclassification and Potential Impact

Date: 29 April 2026 @ 15:00 CEST

PART 1: Welcome & Introduction (5 minutes)			
Organisation	Speaker	Description	
Crowell & Moring	Marcus Navin-Jones	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome & Introduction - House rules: Competition Law / Chatham House Rules - Objective of event: Information sharing and next steps - Agenda 	
PART 2: Speakers (10-15 minutes per section)			
	Organisation	Speaker	Proposed topic
1.	Former Vice President Business Management Styrenics - BASF	Klaus Ries	Setting the scene: economic situation of the styrenics sector and the role of the EU regulatory landscape, including current policy dynamics relevant to styrene.
2.	Plastics Europe	Alma Lamberti Alexandre Hanz	Styrene as a critical substance and workhorse monomer: performance characteristics and lack of viable alternatives. Examples of critical applications within the styrenics value chain.
3.	Independent Consultant	Edgar Leibold	Critical substances and regulatory scrutiny: methodological limitations and potential bias in current weight-of-evidence assessments.
4.	CompositesNL Cefic UP/VE SG European Boating Industry	Wim Brink Thomas Wegman Philip Easthill	Impact on composite applications: for example, implications for infrastructure, energy transition, durability, corrosion resistance and long service life.
5.	ACMA	John Schweitzer Cindy Squires	View from the United States: implications of the EU hazard-based approach and potential international spill-over effects.
Part 3: Wrap-Up and Close (5-10 minutes)			
6.	Crowell & Moring LLP	Anna Gergely	Learnings from the TiO2 case study and relevance for styrene. Next steps, introduction of the 'alliance' and close.