ICPP celebrates 20 years anniversary: worldwide cooperation for Dangerous Goods Packaging

Bad Homburg, 9. May 2017 – This year, ICPP International Confederation of Plastics Packaging Manufacturers is celebrating its 20th anniversary. Founded in 1997, the association was established with the aim to improve the framework of the international transport of dangerous goods in plastics containers. The activities of ICPP are focussed on regulatory aspects of the transport of dangerous goods, international standardization and environmental aspects. ICPP is one of the few globally acting associations of the plastics converting industry and a positive example for cooperative partnership across the continents.

On the ICPP General Assembly on 8th May 2017, ICPP-President Jerry Geyer, Greif Inc. / USA, drew a thoroughly positive balance: “During the past 20 years ICPP contributed largely to increase safety in the dangerous goods transport. Many ICPP proposals were taken up in the UN Model Regulations which can be attributed both to the know-how of the organization and to the simple fact that industry spoke with one voice.”

Regular participation in the meetings of the UN Sub-Committee of Experts on the Transport of Dangerous Goods in Geneva is one of the key activities of the association, accredited as observer at UN.

ICPP’s activities to improve the safe handling of dangerous goods packaging concentrate on high practical relevance by providing globally applicable guidelines and information.

Just before the interpack fair 2017, ICPP published the guideline “Questions & Answers on the use of rigid plastic packaging” which was elaborated by IK Industrievereinigung Kunststoffverpackungen e.V. (German Association for...
Plastics Packagings and Films). It is available for worldwide use like the formerly published FAQ’s for the use of IBCs and FIBCs.

ICPP’s members are national associations and single companies from four continents. The secretariat is held by IK Industrievereinigung Kunststoffverpackungen.

As an industry association, the IK (German industrial association for plastics packaging) represents the interests of manufacturers of plastics packaging and films in Germany and Europe. The industry which is characterised by many small and medium-sized businesses has more than 90,000 employees and generates an annual turnover of 14 billion Euros. Plastics packaging currently has a 44-percent share of the German packaging market. The IK is a supporting member of the German Association of Plastics Converters (GKV) and therefore also involved in matters concerning the entire plastics processing industry.