

PRESS RELEASE

Press Release on the European Parliament Plenary Vote on the Recast of the Drinking Water Directive

Brussels, 28 March 2019 - The European Drinking Water Industrial Alliance supports today's adoption of the Drinking Water Directive by the European Parliament Plenary.

"Today's vote sent a strong signal that the same high hygienic standards should apply to all materials and products in contact with drinking water all across the EU. The European Parliament position is a good basis for further trilogue negotiations between the institutions which are expected to begin at the end of the year and will help overcome current fragmentation. It is an important step towards the development of a harmonised legislative framework on drinking water applications. This is good for public health, competitiveness and innovation: all EU consumers will enjoy the same high level of human health protection and EU companies will be able to reap the advantages of the single market", stated Volker Meyer, Chairman of the EDW.

"The European Parliament and the Council both agree on the need for harmonisation. We call on the European co-legislators to maintain a high level of ambition in the final text", concluded Volker Meyer.



Volker Meyer, Chairman European Drinking Water

About us

The European Drinking Water (EDW) is an alliance of currently 31 European trade associations representing industries involved with the supply of products or materials that are used in drinking water applications and connected to municipal drinking water supplies within the European Union (EU). This ranges, from raw materials suppliers to producers of pumps, water meters, pipes, valves, taps, fittings, water treatment, water heaters, catering equipment industry, seals, etc. and all types of materials, such as elastomers, metals, plastics, etc. The alliance is open to any industry association relevant to drinking water contact applications.

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 Bathroom Manufacturers Association	 Branchehuset	 expertise worldwide	 CEIR
BMA Bathroom Manufacturers Association	Branchehuset	British Water	CEIR European Association for the Taps and Valves Industry
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