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## PRESS RELEASE

### New tasks with new board and management: EPPA presents new team at this year's general assembly meeting



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*Brussels, 3. July 2019* – At this year's General Assembly, which took place on 3 July 2019 in Brussels, three new appointments to the Board and Management were confirmed: Patrick Seitz (Aluplast) is the new vice president of EPPA. Carsten Heuer (Rehau, not pictured) was also newly appointed to the Board. As a replacement for his outgoing predecessor Martin Hitchin (Rehau), he will support the president Andreas

Hartleif (Veka), the Board and the EPPA management team in the accomplishment of their tasks.

Furthermore, since July 1, Charlotte Röber is the new Managing Director of EPPA. Former MD Gerald Feigenbutz continues to support EPPA with his knowledge and experience. "We are happy to see the management of EPPA continuing in a proven constellation. With Charlotte Röber as new MD and with the support of Gerald Feigenbutz we have a perfect setup for the future of EPPA", says Andreas Hartleif, EPPA President. Under the management of Gerald Feigenbutz, QKE and GKFP will furnish important expertise, for instance, in the fields of communication, product quality and technical projects. Thereby, the associations and their members can continue to benefit from the synergies that their cooperation creates.

#### *Overview of EPPA activities*

This year, EPPA combined the General Assembly with the annual Expert meeting: During the Expert meeting, current topics and challenges of **(I.) Recycling Management** such as Plastics Strategy, VinylPlus Pledge and EPPA Hybrid Study were discussed. Further topics covered **(II.) Substances and Legacy Additives** with REACH, RoHS II and Waste Legislation as well as **(III.) Communication** activities by the EPPA network.



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The three central questions for Sessions I to III were as follows:

- 1 What challenges and opportunities do profile houses see in the initiatives **(I.)**?
- 2 How should EPPA address information, precautionary and data requirements in the future? **(II.)**
- 3 What are the communication needs at the European Level? **(III.)**

After in-depth discussion, the members concluded Action Points, which will be implemented in 2019/2020. Further information will be available shortly in our newsletter.

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#### **About EPPA**

EPPA is the European trade association of rigid PVC window systems and related building products manufacturers. Based in Brussels, EPPA provides a common platform for bundling national activities in the fields of PVC window technology, recycling, environment and public affairs.