

January 2019

## **Transforming challenges into opportunities: Chemspec Europe 2019 explores novel chemical solutions to tackle new demands in politics and society**

**Amidst the current investment boom, UN climate talks and Brexit, the fine and speciality chemicals industry eagerly awaits their annual get-together at Chemspec Europe 2019 to discuss the latest market trends, technical innovations, business opportunities and regulatory issues in this rapidly changing market.**

Taking place 26 – 27 June 2019 at Messe Basel in Switzerland, one of Europe's major hubs for the fine and speciality chemicals industry, Chemspec Europe will gather prominent leaders, innovators and decision-makers in chemicals development, manufacturing and related services, all under one roof.

Now in its 34th edition, the event features the full spectrum of fine and speciality chemicals for various applications and industries, including pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals, polymers, food and feed ingredients, flavours and fragrances, pigments and dyes, paints and coatings, household and cleaning chemicals, adhesives and sealants, petrochemicals, leather and textile chemicals, electronics and many others.

The previous exhibition in 2018 hosted a total of 358 exhibitors and more than 6,000 attendees from all over the world. The exhibitor list for the coming event reveals yet another strong line-up, with the majority of exhibitors originating from Germany and other European countries, including the United Kingdom, Switzerland, France, Belgium, Austria, Ireland and the Netherlands, plus a substantial exhibitor community from the USA and various Asian countries, with India and China amongst Asia's most prominent participants.

Operating in a highly competitive market with complex environmental guidelines, the fine and speciality chemicals industry is currently experiencing a multitude of pressures from various sources whilst benefiting from high levels of investment, especially in green and bio-based technologies. "Many producers are busier than ever, but companies will have to manage change and innovate at unprecedented rates in terms of sustainability and operational excellence.", says Liljana Goszdziewski, Exhibition Director of Chemspec Europe, on behalf of the organisers, Mack Brooks Exhibitions. "With the right mindset, the current challenges can be turned into opportunities for innovation and business growth."

Liljana Goszdziewski continues: "The upcoming Chemspec Europe unites an impressive array of experts, scientists, managers and thought-leaders, all contributing to a powerful and well-known industry platform. Purchasers and agents have the chance to explore the latest technical advancements and to source specific ingredients or custom-made solutions in direct exchange with suppliers. The accompanying workshops and conferences offer plenty of additional opportunities to exchange industry know-how and form international relations with peers and business partners."

## Extensive 2-day conference programme alongside the exhibition

An outstanding 2-day seminar programme provides further knowledge and insights into major industry developments as well as key strategies adopted by industry leaders to succeed and grow. All visitors and exhibitors of Chemspec Europe 2019 are invited to attend free of charge. The full conference programme and further updates will be published on [www.chemspeceurope.com](http://www.chemspeceurope.com)

The Chemspec Agrochemical Outlook Conference, sponsored by AGROW, deals with challenges and opportunities facing the industry in 2019. The conference will cover these subjects from the different perspectives of industry experts, manufacturers and key suppliers to the industry. They in turn will give an understanding of how industry requirements in 2019 can be met.

The Pharma Lecture Theatre is dedicated to the trends, challenges and outlook of the pharmaceutical industry and provides first-hand information on ongoing R&D projects and exchange with leading industry experts. The Pharma Panel will discuss approaches to developing global outsourcing strategies, identifying outsourcing partners, identifying approaches to mitigate risks, and addressing challenges associated with outsourcing and how to effectively manage partnerships.

Prior to the panel on the first show day, the ever popular Abou-Gharbia Lecture by Dr Magid Abou-Gharbia of the Moulder Center for Drug Discovery Research in Philadelphia explores new strategies by pharmaceutical companies aimed at restoring public trust and confidence, addressing declining productivity and cutting cost while ensuring steady stream of innovative therapeutics to patients.

The Regulatory Services Conference, organised by REACHReady, gives support and advice on regulatory and chemicals management issues from exhibitors and topical presentations delivered by experts offering insights and practical advice. As well as topics such as REACH, Biocides and CLP, the two day seminar will cover topics on managing chemicals of concern, legal and compliance issues, and emerging legislation which may affect European chemical companies, including REACH-like laws around the world.

The RSC Symposium 2019, organised by the Royal Society of Chemistry, is a two day international symposium on reducing environmental impact. It presents a programme of internationally acclaimed speakers, mostly from industry and from companies making pioneering advances in science, understanding and development of new approaches to sustainability. Topics include extracting value from waste, the replacement of critical raw materials, natural raw materials replacing synthetics, reducing the environmental impact of plastics, the chemistry of bioplastics and biodegradability, and process efficiencies and biocatalysis.

The Chemspec Careers Clinic, organised by Chemical Search International, offers executives from the fine and speciality sectors at all levels the chance to discuss their career aspirations with a specialist professional search firm on a discreet and completely free basis.

For the third time Chemspec Europe and BCNP Consultants bring young companies, their innovations and the topic of chemistry founding on stage. The program of Innovative start-ups includes a keynote lecture, presentations by founders of chemistry start-ups and a panel discussion.

***Chemspec Europe 2019 takes place 26–27 June 2019 in hall 1.0 of Messe Basel in Switzerland. Entrance tickets will be available in spring 2019. Visitors can sign up for the free newsletter to receive updates and notifications prior to the show. Further information available on [www.chemspeceurope.com](http://www.chemspeceurope.com)***

**Issued by:**

Tristan Mandel, PR & Marketing Manager

Chemspec Europe Press Office, Mack Brooks Exhibitions

Romeland House, Romeland Hill, St Albans, Herts AL3 4ET, United Kingdom

Tel: +44 (0)1727 814 400, E-Mail: [press@mackbrooks.co.uk](mailto:press@mackbrooks.co.uk)