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# Big names, big issues: Chemspec Europe 2025 to deliver strong insights and momentum at a pivotal time for the chemicals industry

From 4–5 June, the international fine and speciality chemicals industry will gather at Koelnmesse, Germany, for the 38th edition of Chemspec Europe – the sector's leading sourcing hub for chemical innovation in pharma and industry. Set in vibrant Cologne, near some of Europe's largest chemical parks and pharma sites, the event provides a perfect gateway to connect with international professionals in chemical development and manufacturing. Over two days, more than 400 key suppliers from 22 countries will share their expertise in fine chemicals, custom solutions, and specialised contract services – supported by high-level talks and regulatory guidance.

Amid volatile markets, rapid innovation, and shifting regulations, Chemspec Europe 2025 comes at one of the most dynamic and challenging times in the history of the chemicals industry. "The entire playing field is being redefined," says Christiane Beck, Event Director for Chemspec Europe at RX. "This is a pivotal moment, and Chemspec Europe serves as a vital strategic touchpoint for the chemical community. The recent surge in exhibitor bookings and a strong start to the visitor registration clearly reflect the industry's appetite for more connection, insight, and forward momentum. We are expecting a highly dynamic event, with strong engagement across the board."

# Market intelligence unpacked: Expert views on global drivers and emerging technologies

A standout Conference Programme has just been announced, featuring around 50 sessions by high-profile experts and organisations across four dedicated streams. Speakers and topics are closely aligned with current market needs, delivering actionable insights to help businesses tackle complex sourcing decisions and future-proof their operations.

On the new Insights Stage, the keynote panel "Global Market Drivers Dominating the Fine & Speciality Chemicals Industry" will explore the key forces currently shaping the market – from global geopolitics to trade wars and tariffs, plus industry forecasts for the next five years. Speakers include senior representatives from leading industry organisations, including SOCMA, Fecc, and EFCG.

The **Pharma Stage** picks up the thread with the panel **"From Geopolitics to Niche Deals – What's Really Going On?"**, exploring the complex landscape of mergers and acquisitions, touching on macro trends reshaping global supply chains, regulatory shifts and ESG compliance pressures, as well as market segmentation. The panel brings together top-tier consultants from MarketChemica Associates, Oriento, and JF Chemical Associates, joined by Dorra Europe, a key player in supply chain services.

API specialist Medichem and the Medicines for Europe association will give a keynote on "Sustainable Manufacturing of Fine Chemicals", offering a 360-degree perspective on how companies can align sustainability targets with operational demand.

Exploring the future of chemistry, "Scaling Innovation in the Bioeconomy" highlights breakthrough projects backed by the ECBF investment fund. Led by strategy consultancy BCNP, the session features AI-driven formulation software by ai-predict, microplastic remediation solutions by ZAITRUS, and natural bacterial treatment for chemical waste by CellX Biosolutions.

Addressing the rise of material intelligence, "Al-Driven Data Management for Specialty Chemicals" by analytics specialist LabV presents real-world case studies on leveraging advanced analytics to speed up formulation development, strengthen quality control, and streamline production.

Also not to be missed: This year's **Agrochemical Stage** focuses on emerging trends in agrochemicals and crop protection, including biopesticides, biostimulants, and broader shifts in farming practices. Meanwhile, the **Regulatory Stage** features expert guidance on global compliance, with essential updates on REACH, CLP, KKDIK, BIS, and new environmental regulations.

The full speaker agenda for all four Conference Stages is available on the official show website.

# Tailored matchmaking and other event features

Building valuable connections has always been a core mission of Chemspec Europe. The event offers a powerful **Matchmaking** platform, using next-gen technology to connect visitors and suppliers with complementary business goals. **Visitor PLUS ticket holders** enjoy enhanced matchmaking opportunities, including exclusive access to the on-site **Matchmaking Lounge** to meet key partners and clients – fellow visitors included.

Additional opportunities for personal exchange and networking include the **New Exhibitor Zone**, designed to connect trade visitors with new suppliers from Europe, the USA, and Japan. The **Careers Clinic** is also available to anyone in the chemical sector seeking career advice or job opportunities.

#### **About Chemspec Europe**

Chemspec Europe is the industry's leading sourcing event for fine and speciality chemicals, offering custom solutions, additives, ingredients, APIs, contract services, regulatory support, and more. It serves a wide range of chemical buyers and their target markets, including pharmaceuticals, personal care, cosmetics, agriculture, paints, coatings, water treatment, electronics, and batteries. The event offers unique access to global innovation leaders, such as Albemarle, Arxada, CABB, Curia, ESIM Chemicals, Evonik, IMCD, Johnson Matthey, Lanxess, Midas Pharma, Miltitz Aromatics, PI Industries, Saltigo, SEQENS, SRF, WeylChem, and other industry frontrunners.

# **Key information for visitors**

Chemspec Europe 2025, the 38<sup>th</sup> International Exhibition for Fine and Speciality Chemicals, is held from 4-5 June at Koelnmesse in Cologne, Germany, occupying Hall 4.2 and Hall 5.2. Opening times are 9am to 5pm. Visitors can register and purchase tickets online, with an advance ticket rate available until 20 May. On-site registration is possible but incurs a higher entry fee.

The official website provides extensive information on the exhibition profile and show visit, including <u>Exhibitor List</u>, <u>Product Directory</u>, and <u>Event Programme</u>. Supporting the visitor experience onsite is the Chemspec Europe App with a suite of user-friendly features, including interactive way-finding and real-time event alerts. The app is available to download on the <u>App Store</u> and on <u>Google Play</u>.

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