

# PRODUCT SAFETY SEMINAR: THE LATEST ON COMPLIANCE AND BEYOND

June 6, 2017 | 8:30 AM – 4:30 PM Fashion Institute of Technology | New York, NY

## **AGENDA**

8:30 - 9:15 AM BREAKFAST, NETWORKING, & REGISTRATION

**Great Hall** 

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9:15 AM - 4:30 PM **PROGRAMMING** 

Katie Murphy Amphitheatre

9:15 – 9:40 AM A NEW ADMINISTRATION, A SHIFTING COMPLIANCE

**ENVIRONMENT** 

Nate Herman, Senior Vice President, Supply Chain,

American Apparel & Footwear Association

9:40 – 10:35 AM INDUSTRY LEADERS ROUNDTABLE

**Scott Echols,** Technical Director, ZDHC Foundation **Nate Herman,** Senior Vice President, Supply Chain, AAFA

Nathaniel Sponsler, Director, AFIRM Group

Moderator: Joe Walkuski, CEO/President and Founder, Texbase

Industry organizations have developed valuable resources and accessible tools to help apparel and footwear companies navigate an increasingly complex global compliance program. It can be confusing to know how these tools relate across your supply chain. This roundtable discussion features leaders who will review how to deploy these resources best and how they work in tandem. restricted substances lists (RSL's) and chemical management tools will be featured.

10:35 - 11:05 AM NETWORKING BREAK

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11:05 – 11:35 AM BUILDING A COMPLIANCE PROGRAM THAT

**MEASURES UP** 

Ben DeVito, Global Sales and Technical Director, TÜV SÜD

Designing and implementing a product safety compliance program is a complex and demanding task. A good program must balance risk, testing, and regulatory compliance. This session will focus on how to achieve an effective compliance program.

11:35 AM - 12:10 PM

#### LOCAL TO GLOBAL BRIEFINGS

Nate Herman, Senior Vice President, Supply Chain, AAFA

Moderator: Tammie Rollins, Senior Softlines Technical Manager, UL

AAFA will provide quick updates on their efforts surrounding three leading issues:

- Potential new regulations on flame retardants
- Federal issues including TSCA and the CPSC agenda
- New tools to understand regulations in key oversea markets

12:10 - 1:10 PM

#### **LUNCH AND NETWORKING**

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1:10 - 1:50 PM

#### THE STATE OF THE STATES - ON THE BOOKS NOW

**Frank Citera,** Shareholder, Greenberg Traurig, LLP **Andrew R. Hackman**, Lobbyist, Serlin Haley LLP

**Moderator: Louann Spirito,** US & Canada Softlines Business & Technical Head, SGS Consumer and Retail

States continue to have an active role in chemical regulation. This panel will dive into the state of the states on chemical legislation and regulations. Focus will be on California, Maine, Oregon, Washington, and Vermont frequently asked questions on compliance will be answered.

1:50 - 1:55 PM

#### TRANSITION TO BREAKOUT

1:55 - 3:00 PM

#### BREAKOUTS: DIVE DEEP INTO CRITICAL ISSUES

Two concurrent sessions

1:55 - 2:25 PM

#### TOPIC A - APPAREL & ACCESSORIES

Katie Murphy Amphitheatre

Ben DeVito, Global Sales and Technical Director, TÜV SÜD

This session will focus on issues specific to apparel and accessories including formaldehyde in accessories.

#### **TOPIC B - FOOTWEAR**

**Great Hall** 

Matt Nudell, Global Consulting Specialist, Bureau Veritas

This session will focus on issues specific to footwear including Chrome 6 and mold prevention.

2:25 - 2:30 PM

#### TRANSITION TO NEXT ROUND

2:30 - 3:00 PM

#### **TOPIC A - QUALITY CONTROL**

Katie Murphy Amphitheatre

Steffen Tuemptner, Technical Competence Center Softlines, TÜV Rheinland

This session will focus on issues specific to quality control including how to put processes in place.

#### TOPIC B - EU CHEMICAL REGULATIONS

**Great Hall** 

Nathaniel Sponsler, Director, AFIRM Group

This session will focus on issues specific to REACH and the efforts under REACH to further restrict chemicals in clothes and shoes.

3:00 – 3:30 PM NETWORKING BREAK

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3:30 - 4:10 PM THE STATE OF THE STATES - COMING DOWN THE

PIPELINE

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With legislative sessions in full swing – or concluding – in every state across the country, many states are looking at legislating and implementing their own regulations on chemicals. Discover what might happen as states lean toward stricter regulation.

4:10 - 4:30 PM **CLOSING REMARKS** 

Nate Herman, Senior Vice President, Supply Chain, AAFA

5:00 - 6:30 PM **RECEPTION** 

FIT Rooftop, David Dubinsky Student Center, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor

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