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### **Foreword**

Europe's cosmetics and personal care industry is global in its outlook, export orientated, a provider of high-quality employment, dynamic and innovative, EU regulated (by both sector-specific and broader regulations such as REACH), and with a huge constituency of SMEs.

In other words, the type of industry which is key to our future European prosperity. At the same time, it is an industry vulnerable to instability and uncertainty of the kind we see emerging internationally in 2025, and also to regulatory missteps at home in the EU. We encapsulate the EU's dilemmas.

A key theme of the new European Commission is 'simplification'- the process of removing unnecessary and costly 'red tape' imposed by EU regulation. This is welcome of course, but in some respects the problems run deeper. For example, our industry has been challenged in recent years by the possibility of bans on ingredients which, according to scientifically rigorous and conservative assessment of their exposure to consumers, are safe in cosmetics. We have also seen the targeting of our industry in the Urban Wastewater Directive, policy making which is not based on facts.

As I write in early 2025, the EU is rightly pointed to as a rational and stable operator in our turbulent world. One source of that undoubted strength is the international benchmark provided by EU regulation, no more so than in our sector. It is a source of EU soft power. But among the negative effects of heavy-handed regulations is that the EU risks losing a degree of world leadership in that domain.

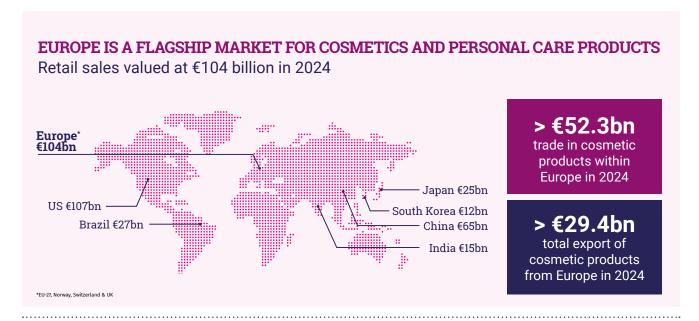
More than this, the process of simplifying regulation itself, and the accompanying measures aimed at enhancing European competitiveness, are an acknowledgement that Europe's future prosperity is not only about the welfare of its citizens but also Europe's role and influence in the world.

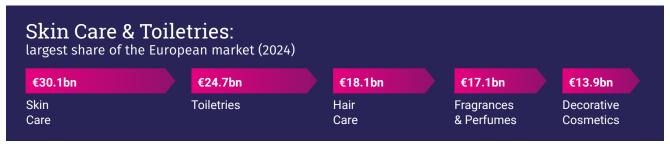
As you can see in our Annual Report 2024, Cosmetics Europe worked relentlessly – in advocacy, communications, regulation, in science, on the international scene and much more, with a guiding philosophy of facts, science and proportionality. A philosophy that is in the interests of our industry, no doubt, but increasingly in Europe's interest too.



**John Chave**Director General, Cosmetics Europe

# The European Cosmetics Industry in 2024: Key Figures





SMES & BIG COMPANIES ARE KEY DRIVERS OF INNOVATION & ECONOMIC GROWTH IN THE INDUSTRY

MORE THAN 9,600 SMES
THE NUMBER IS GROWING

#### The industry supports millions of European jobs up & down the value chain







265,742

people employed directly

2,714,986

people employed indirectly

596,000

people employed through induced effects

# **Highlights of the Year**



### Cosmetics Europe Manifesto for the European Elections 2024

Our high-level priorities for the next policy makers of the European Union





# COSMILE Europe extended by 5 more languages

The COSMILE Europe app is now also available in Bulgarian, Finnish, Greek, Italian and Lithuanian





Cosmetics Europe joined the European Elections 2024 campaign of the European Parliament as a communication partner





## **Highlights of the Year**



### A Must Attend - Cosmetics **Europe Annual Conference 2024**



Nicolas Hieronimus. Chief Executive Officer, L'Oréal



Alexandra (Alex) Keith.



William Lauder. Executive Chairman, The Estée Lauder Companies



Elżbieta Łukacijewska. Member of the European Parliament



European Chemicals



European Chemical Industry Council, CEFIC



Kenvue



Jiangying Yan, Chair, the China Association of Fragrance Flavour CAFFCI



Visions & Reflections

19-20 June, Brussels, Belgium

#### CEAC 2024 in a nutshell:



More than 400 participants



3 plenary, 1 lunch & 11 parallel sessions





9 sponsors 8 media & event partners



### Commit for Our Planet (CfOP) Initiative awarded with the Sustainability Leadership Award 2024

The award recognises the work on Commit for Our Planet, a cosmetic industry-wide initiative to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, improve packaging solutions and act for nature.





### A game changer in sun protection

Cosmetics Europe Double Plate Method approved for measuring sun protection factor SPF by the International Organization for Standardization (ISO)





# **Highlights of the Year**



# First public report on progress of Commit for Our Planet (CfOP)

As part of its commitment to be transparent on the progress of CfOP, Cosmetics Europe published the first report on the progress of companies having joined the initiative, showcasing collective achievements, learnings and next steps. The report sets a baseline for companies' engagement with and progress towards the sustainability commitments within the initiative. The initiative unites 38 Partners and 15 Supporting Partners.





# Cosmetics Europe's message gets heard



35+
presentations given at EU
and international events
and meetings

### Digital activities:

22,000 followers in December 2023 to over 27,000 followers in December 2024 (23 % increase)



22k > 27k











## **EU Engagement**

Over the year, Cosmetics Europe engaged directly with hundreds of Brussels stakeholders to provide expertise, insights and advice, including institutional stakeholders such as MEPs, European Commission officials, Member State representatives and non-institutional stakeholders such as other trade associations and NGOs.



\*not including networking events

## Cooperation with other industry associations

Cooperation with other industry associations is key for Cosmetics Europe as it helps amplify the industry's voice at the EU level.

#### In 2024, Cosmetics Europe:

- Co-organized European Trade Associations' 'Back to Business' Garden Reception
- Published joint statements on key topics: UWWTD, PPWR, GCD and other
- Participated in the Digital Consumer Information Alliance (DCIA)
- Participated in the Open Trade Coalition working to ensure ambitious and open trade policy that supports the EU's competitiveness and economic prosperity
- Participated in the Trade Associations Coordination Group (TACG)
- Aligned with pharma associations on the 9 key principles for UWWTD implementation
- Published with EFfCI first Guidance on Microplastics Restriction from any sector

- Participated in the Downstream Users of Chemicals Co-ordination Group (DUCC)
- Participated in the European Association In-House Counsels Group



## **Our Experts Webinars**

Throughout the year, Cosmetics Europe conducted a series of informative webinars with industry experts to share insights and discuss industry challenges with EU stakeholders.

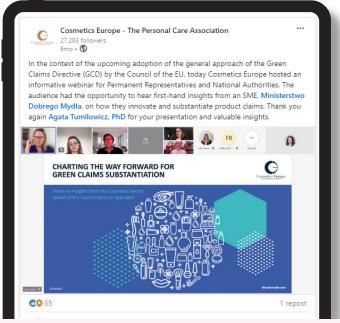
- How cosmetics products claims are currently regulated and substantiated: Emmanuelle Devaux, Global Head Regulatory Affairs & Claim substantiation, L'Oréal
- Practical insights on claims substantiation from an SME in Poland: Agata Tumiłowicz- Mazur, PhD, Ministerstwo, natural, organic and less-waste cosmetics, Natural cosmetics store
- How can safety regulations and the principle of responsibility of the producer influence the GCD?: Adeline Cruz, Director for legal & sustainability EMEA, Estée Lauder Companies



Cosmetics Europe also organised internal trainings for its members, including one on using AI in Communications with Prof Ana Adi, Quadriga University Berlin



- Practical insights on an industry aggregated scoring - the EcoBeautyScore Consortium: Laurent Gilbert, Sustainable Innovation Director, L'Oréal
- Practical insights on substances of concerns:
   Solène Flahault, Director of Public Affairs at Cosmetics Europe
- Biodiversity on the corporate agenda/regulatory landscape and the outcomes of COP16:
   Maria Julia Oliva, Director of Policy and Sector Transformation, UEBT







# Cosmetic Products Regulation (CPR) Revision

The proposal for a targeted revision of the Cosmetic Product Regulation (CPR) was halted towards the end of the European Commission mandate in 2024.

The European Commission took this decision with the intention to fully evaluate the functioning of the whole regulation in 2025. Cosmetics Europe was an important stakeholder throughout the whole targeted revision process and remains committed to contributing to the evaluation of the CPR in 2025.



## **Chemical Safety**

# Classification, Labelling, and Packaging Regulation (CLP)

The Classification, Labelling, and Packaging (CLP) Regulation was adopted in 2024., Cosmetics Europe actively engaged with policy makers throughout the entire legislative process focusing its advocacy efforts on ensuring robust and scientific criteria for the grouping of substances for harmonized classification and labelling (CLH) purposes. In close cooperation with International Fragrance Association (IFRA), Cosmetics Europe also advocated to ensure Natural Complex Substances (MOCS) remained exempt from new mixture classification rules and for the maintenance of the exemption of safety labelling for hazardous substances in cosmetic products. The efforts and arguments brought forward by the industry were positively reflected in the final regulation text adopted by policy makers.



## Sustainability

# Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive (UWWTD)

The proposed recast of the Urban Wastewater Treatment Directive (UWWTD) introduced an Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) scheme, placing the financial burden of upgrading wastewater treatment plants on the pharmaceutical and cosmetics sectors. The cosmetics sector was identified as the second largest contributor to water pollution, a claim strongly disputed by Cosmetics Europe.

Throughout 2024, during trilogue discussions, Cosmetics Europe engaged intensively with policy makers to advocate for a proportionate and science-based EPR scheme. However, the final text of the UWWTD was adopted in November 2024, still considering the cosmetics sector as the second largest contributor to water pollution.

In May 2025, new data released by the European Commission, following a request for access to information by Cosmetics Europe, has shown that the revised UWWTD manifestly overestimates the contribution of cosmetics to the toxic load in urban wastewater by at least 15 times. When correctly assessed cosmetics account for only 1.54% of the toxic load not 26% as originally suggested by the European Commission. Cosmetics Europe is strongly advocating for a re-assessment of the EPR scheme based on accurate data and a fair application of the polluter pays principle.



# Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR)

In 2024, the institutional trilogue meetings on Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR) took place and the regulation was adopted in December 2024. During this critical period, Cosmetics Europe collaborated with various industry associations, including EUROPEN, AIM, Spirits Europe, FEDE, ECCIA, and CEEV, to amplify its advocacy efforts. Cosmetics Europe advocated for the inclusion of digital labelling for small packaging and the preservation of packaging shape under the minimisation rules. Since the adoption of the regulation, Cosmetics Europe has been sharing expertise and insights on the industry with policy makers to inform the development of upcoming PPWR secondary legislation.



## Sustainability

### Green Claims Directive (GCD)

Cosmetics Europe actively engaged in discussions with the European Parliament and Council as both institutions were respectively preparing their final position and General Approach on the Green Claims Directive (GCD). Cosmetics Europe advocated for the introduction of a simplified procedure for certain types of claims, the use of private aggregated scoring systems to be allowed if they provide added value and the introduction of a review clause and report to assess the need for a potential ban on environmental claims for products containing hazardous substances.





### European Green Deal & more

In 2024, the European Commission launched an Impact Assessment to analyse the impact of regulations on the European industry to help inform future policy decisions. Cosmetics Europe substantiated the cumulative impact of recent regulations on the cosmetics industry in its contribution to the European Commission's Impact Assessment.

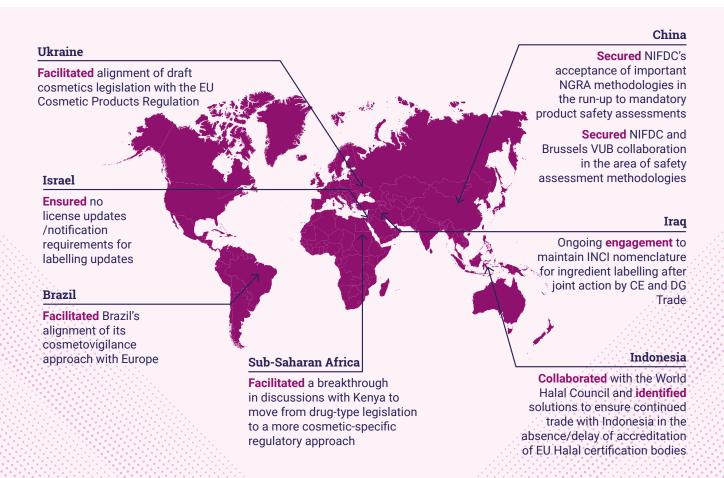
# Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR)

Throughout the whole legislative process of the Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR), Cosmetics Europe focused its advocacy efforts on addressing the destruction of unsold consumer goods. Following the adoption of the ESPR in July 2024, Cosmetics Europe engaged in discussions on the development of secondary legislation with policy makers to ensure an effective implementation of the regulation.



## **International Cooperation**

International cooperation is key to help avoid regulatory divergence and the resulting impediments to trade. For Cosmetics Europe, it is important to foster compatibility among regulatory frameworks while recognising the unique context and needs of each region. Throughout 2024, Cosmetics Europe engaged with wide range of international stakeholders across many different countries on a range of different topics.



## **International Cooperation**

### A key international challenge in 2024: allergens labelling

Cosmetics Europe organised unprecedented outreach to international industry partners and authorities to prevent misunderstanding and negative regulatory consequences due to EU allergy labelling.





### Throughout 2024, Cosmetics Europe continued to engage actively in key international fora including:

- International Organisation for Standardisation (ISO) for the standardisation of innovative analytical and measurement methods.
- The International Cooperation on Cosmetics Regulation (ICCR) to agree on international principles with global regulators on not-yet regulated areas.
- The IAC sister association network to develop joint positions on European or global regulatory developments.

## Participation in the ICCR-18 (International Cooperation on Cosmetics Regulation) Annual Meeting



Participation in IAC (International Association Collaboration) Plenary meetings



## **Ingredients Defence**

# With over 25 experts working groups and consortia, Cosmetics Europe:

- Contributed to numerous public consultations on the safety of cosmetic ingredients and engaged with safety assessment agencies at EU as well as Member State level (e.g. Titanium dioxide, Octocrylene, Aluminium,...)
- Supported the harmonisation of the definition for nanomaterials between sectors and started preparatory work for a project of unprecedented proportions to ensure a smooth transition to a revised nanodefinition in the cosmetic sector
- Managed and coordinated industry contributions within ten formal review processes in 2024 at EU level



### Research and Science

# We are a proactive stakeholder in the area of alternatives to animal testing. In 2024, Cosmetics Europe:

- Submitted the 1st regulatory Next Generation Risk Assessment dossier
- Presented at the 2nd workshop on Commission Roadmap towards phasing out animal testing for chemical safety assessments
- Participated in ONTOX Hackathon as issue owner for the topic "To predict or protect?"
- A Cosmetics Europe poster on key achievements in advancing Non-Animal Methods (NAMs) for regulatory safety assessments showcased at Helsinki Chemical Forum by EPAA
- In collaboration with ICCS organized a hybrid workshop on External Exposure to discuss the needs and gaps associated with external exposure assessments, and to develop and prioritize project proposals aligned with the ICCS strategic roadmap
- Presented a poster on advancements in application of New Approach Methodologies (NAMs) to systemic toxicity assessment of cosmetic ingredients at EUROTOX2024

- Co-chaired a session on "What's new for addressing safety: a multi stakeholders' perspective" at EUROTOX2024
- Presented at CHANGE Workshop in Oslo on "To predict or protect?"
- Contributed to a new online course on New Approach Methods for cosmetic safety developed by IKW and IIVS by presenting on "Cosmetic safety assessment: EU Perspective"



## **Our Team**

## We take pride in our team. We personally care

#### **GENERAL MANAGEMENT**



**John Chave** Director-General



Emma Trogen
Deputy Director-General
& Head of Legal
Department



**Hind Benrhanem** Human Resources Manager

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**Carmela Ciarliero**Public Affairs Manager



**Enrico Iacovizzi** Public Affairs Manager



**Julie Favoli**Junior Public
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**Cornélia Garaudel** Junior Regulatory Affairs Manager



## **Our Team**

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**Estefania Cardamone** Senior Issue Manager



Pamina Suzuki Senior Issue Manager



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**Ina Themeli** Project Manager



**Torben König** Scientific Manager

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**Sarah Khirani** Sustainability Manager



**Irene Manou** Scientific Director EPAA

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**Emilie Rinchard** Senior Legal Manager



**Hind Benrhanem** Human Resources Manager

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**Xavier Wouters**Accounting Manager



**Delphine Gilles**Office Manager & Events
Supervisor



**Betina Simonsen** Senior IT Project Manager



Marianna Zammuto Administrative Assistant



## **Our Members**

For more than 60 years, Cosmetics Europe has been an established European trade association for the cosmetics and personal care industry. Our members include cosmetics and personal care manufacturers as well as associations representing our industry at national level across Europe.

Our experts are a trusted partner to policy makers on regulatory and scientific matters. We are committed to working collaboratively with all stakeholders to shape a successful future for our members.



#### **Our Vision**

A flourishing European cosmetics and personal care industry.



#### **Our Mission**

To shape a European operating environment that is conducive to long-term growth of the industry and a sustainable future.



#### **ACTIVE CORPORATE MEMBERS (ACM)**













































#### SUPPORTING CORPORATE MEMBERS (SCM)

















# Active Association Members (AAM)

#### 1. Austria

Fachverband der Chemischen Industrie Österreichs - FCIO

#### 2. Belgium

Belgian -Luxembourg Association for manufacturers and distributors of cosmetics, detergents, cleaning products, adhesives and sealants, biocides, related products and aerosol technology - DETIC

#### 3. Bulgaria

Bulgarian National Association Essential Oils, Perfumery and Cosmetics - BNAEOPC

#### 4. Croatia

Detergents and Cosmetics Affiliation of the Croatian Chamber of Economy

#### 5. Czech Republic

Czech Association for Branded Products - CSZV

#### 6. Denmark

Kosmetik- og Hygiejnebranchen - K&H

#### 7. Estonia

Estonian Chemical Industry Association - ECIA

#### 8. Finland

Kosmetiikka- ja hygieniateollisuus ry

#### 9. France

Fédération des Entreprises de la Beauté - FEBEA

#### 10. Germany

Industrieverband Körperpflege- und Waschmittel - IKW

#### 11. Greece

The Hellenic Cosmetic Toiletry and Perfumery Association - PSVAK

#### 12. Hungary

Hungarian Cosmetic and Home Care Association - KOZMOS

#### 13. Ireland

Irish Cosmetics & Detergents Association - ICDA

#### 14. Italy

Cosmetica Italia

#### 15. Latvia

The Association of Latvian Chemical and Pharmaceutical Industry - LAKIFA

#### 16. Lithuania

Lithuanian Cosmetics and Household Chemicals Producers Association -LIKOCHEMA

#### 17. Luxembourg

Belgian - Luxembourg Association for manufacturers and distributors of cosmetics, detergents, cleaning products, adhesives and sealants, biocides, related products and aerosol technology - DETIC

#### 18. The Netherlands

Nederlandse Cosmetica Vereniging - NCV

#### 19. Norway

Kosmetikleverandørenes Forening - KLF

#### 20. Poland

Polish Association of Cosmetics and Detergent Industry - PACDI

#### 21. Poland

The Polish Union of Cosmetics Industry
– Kosmetyczni.PL

#### 22. Portugal

Associação dos Industriais de Cosmética, Perfumaria e Higiene Corporal - AIC

#### 23. Romania

Romanian Union of Cosmetics and Detergent Manufacturers - RUCODEM

#### 24. Slovakia

Slovak Association for Branded Products - SZZV

#### 25. Slovenia

Association of Cosmetics and Detergents Producers of Slovenia - KPC

#### 26. Spain

Asociacion Nacional de Perfumeria y Cosmética - STANPA

#### 27. Sweden

Kosmetik- och hygienföretagen - KoHF

#### 28. Switzerland

Schweizerischer Kosmetik und Waschmittelverband - SKW

#### 29. United Kingdom

Cosmetic, Toiletry & Perfumery Association - CTPA

# Supporting Association Members (SAM)

**Serbia:** Association of Detergents and Cosmetics Producers and Importers of Serbia - KOZMODET

**South Africa:** Cosmetic Toiletry and Fragrance Association - CTFA

**Turkey:** Turkish Cosmetics & Cleaning Products Industry Association - KTSD

**Ukraine:** Association of Perfumery and Cosmetics of Ukraine - APCU

### Correspondent Members (CM)

dsm-firmenich

**EDANA** 

Givaudan

Intercos

Manufacturers' Association of Israel

NATRUE

## **Board of Directors**

### **Board Of Directors (BOD)**

#### Chair:

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Ms Val Diez - STANPA

Ms Khathleen Edgar - EDGEWELL

Ms Helle Fabiansen – kosmetikoghygiejne K&H

Ms Shimei Fan – COTY

Ms Monica Foyaca - ISDIN

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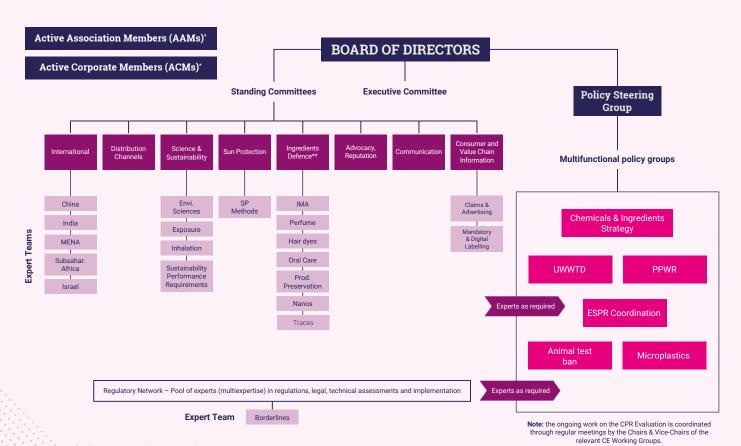
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Ms Nathalie Volpe - CHANEL



## **Our Organisational Structure**



<sup>\*</sup>Discussion fora for association and corporate members



<sup>\*\*</sup>SC Ingredients Defense also oversees individual ingredient TFs and Consortia