



**IRGC WORKSHOP 'RISK GOVERNANCE OF NANOTECHNOLOGY  
APPLICATIONS IN FOOD AND COSMETICS'  
Geneva, Switzerland**



**Monday, April 28, 2008**

11.00-12.30 Nanomaterials in Food and Cosmetics  
(Invited Panel: Robert Madelin DG Sanco, Beate Kettlitz, CIAA, Gerhard Nohynek, L'Oréal, Peter Hatto, IonBond Ltd and ISO, then discussion)

- Ø Materials that are used in both industries - research and market potential
- Ø "The Need for speed" for an informational exchange
- Ø Defining nanomaterials in food and cosmetics – need for standardisation?

**12:30-13:30 Lunch**

13:30-15:00 Risk Assessment of Nanomaterials in Food and Cosmetics: What is the state of the art in current knowledge and uncertainty characterisation?  
(Invited Panel: Aleksandra Kordecka, Friends of the Earth, Sue O'Hagan Unilever, Axel Rathjen Max-Rubner Institute, Germany, Harald Krug, EMPA, then discussion)

- Ø Availability of data
- Ø Review of insights from toxicological and eco-toxicological studies
- Ø "Black Spots" and "clean records" - requested information and what is really known

**15:00-15:30 Tea and Coffee**

15:30-17:00 Risk Perception  
(Invited Panel: Mike Knowles, Coca Cola, Rolf Hertel, Sergio Bellucci, TA-Swiss, BfR Germany, Heribert Watzke, Nestlé, Sue Davis, Which; Ortwin Renn or Antje Grobe, IRGC, then discussion)

- Ø What do risk perception studies tell us about consumer confidence and concerns?
- Ø How to avoid the "GMO Trap"?
- Ø Communication strategies: To let the sleeping dog lie or the devil takes the hindmost

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- 09:00-10:30    Regulation  
(*Invited Panel*: Peter Kearns OECD, Richard Canady FDA, Hans- Juergen Klockner VCI, Patricia Cameron BUND, Cornelis Brekelmans, EU Commission, then discussion)
- Ø The regulatory background and current activities - Between GRAS and REACH - different stakeholder perspectives
  - Ø Opportunities of regulation, de-regulation and self-regulation
- 10:30-11:00    Coffee break**
- 11:00-12:30    "Voluntary codes in comparison: Do they meet the needs and fill the gap?"  
(*Invited Panel*: Steffi Friedrichs NIA, John Balbus, Environmental Defense, Rüdiger Iden, BASF, Anna Gergely, Thomas Epprecht Swiss Re, then discussion)
- Ø Advantages and disadvantages of proactive voluntary codes of conduct
  - Ø Nano Risk Framework, ResponsibleNanoCode and other codes of conduct
  - Ø How to get orientation in the jungle of codes
- 12:30 -13:30 Lunch**
- 13:30-15.30    What are the next steps needed to break the deadlock?
- Ø Plenary discussion
- 15:30-16:00    Summary and conclusions (Mike Roco)
- 16:00            End

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