

## **IFIA-CEOC Annual Conference - General Assembly** **12-13 December**

*Hosted by Bureau Veritas, Paris*

*Immeuble Newtime, 40-52 Boulevard du Parc, 92200 Neuilly sur Seine cedex*

### Day one: 12 December 2018

**13:00-14:00 – Registration**

**14:00-14:15 – Opening and welcome** – *Didier Michaud-Daniel, CEO, Bureau Veritas*

**14:15-15:45 – Part One**

**Discussion Panel:** *“From brick and mortar retail to virtual commerce, who’s the watchdog ensuring consumer safety and industry’s level playing field in light of the growing trend of online purchasing?”.*

Digitalisation is radically changing the retail sector business model. This digital revolution is bringing about societal challenges which represent both threats and opportunities. The aim of this moderated discussion is to provide a forum for various players from policymakers, retail, consumer organisations and the TIC sector to openly discuss issues spanning from commercial best practices, defending the safety of consumers, tackling the issue of counterfeits and ensuring industry’s level playing field.

**Invited organisations:**

*Pinuccia Contino, Head of Unit, EU Commission DG Justice and Consumers*

*Rebecca Balogh, Standards Attaché, US Mission to the EU*

*Amber Bechrouri, Senior Public Policy Manager, Amazon*

*Amanda Long, Director General, Consumers International*

*Els Bedert, Adviser, Product Safety (Food & Non-Food), EuroCommerce (tbc)*

*Fred Herren, SVP Digital and Innovation, SGS*

**Moderator:** *Gregg Tiemann, President, Intertek Americas*

**15:45-16:15 – Coffee break**

**16:15-17:45 – Part Two**

**Discussion Panel:** *“New TIC association, what’s in it for me?”.* With the creation of a new TIC association encompassing a geographically and sectorially diverse portfolio, many questions need to be resolved to ensure not only an effective and unified voice for the TIC sector as a whole but also to maintain guaranteed value for its members. This moderated discussion panel consisting of various IFIA and CEOC members will seek to address the expectations of the new association, how to reconcile the various interests and what the value is for its members—both large and small.

**Panellists:**

*Dirk Stenkamp, CEO, TÜV Nord*

*Karina Engstrøm Nielsens, Managing Director, Baltic Control*

*Didier Michaud-Daniel, CEO, Bureau Veritas*

*Andrzej Ziolkowski, President, UDT*

*Keith Williams, CEO, UL*

*Marco Croon, CEO, Vinçotte*

*Siddharth R. Amin, Board Member, Dr. Amin Controllers*

**Moderator:** *Hanane Taidi, Director General, IFIA*

**17:45-18:00 – Break**

**18:00-19:00 – Surprise Plenary Session**

**19:00 – Bus shuttle from meeting venue to evening event**

**19:30 – Cocktail and Networking walking gala dinner on Polpo boat** *hosted by Bureau Veritas [Dress code: business attire]*

**22:30 – Bus shuttle to the hotels**

## Day two: 13 December 2018

### **In parallel & separate:**

**8:00-9:30 – IFIA Council meeting (IFIA Council members only)**

**8:00-9:30 – CEOC Board meeting (CEOC Board of Directors only)**

### **In parallel & separate:**

**10:00-11:30 –CEOC Extraordinary General Assembly**

**10:00-11:30 – IFIA General Assembly and IFIA Committee Presentations**

- India Steering Committee: Suresh Sugavanam, Chairman, UL & Madhumita Guha, Vice-Chair, Intertek
- Americas Committee: Rick Rosati, Chairman, Bureau Veritas (tbc)
- Public Affairs Committee: Thomas Grusemann, Chairman, TÜV Rheinland
- Petroleum and Petrochemicals Strategy Committee: John Hodson, Vice-Chair, Camin Cargo
- Consumer and Industrial Products Steering Committee: Gregg Tiemann, Chairman, Intertek / Bert Zoetbrood, Vice-chair, DEKRA (tbc)
- Anti-Counterfeiting: Katharina Seidel, Vice-chair, TÜV Rheinland

**11:30-12:00 – Coffee break**

**12:00-13:00 – Joint General Assembly of the new TIC organization, presentation of the new organization and election of the Global Board**

**13:00-14:30 – Lunch, Café la Jatte**

**14:30-15:30 – TIC Millennials discussion panel:** *“Looking ahead: How to make a difference through a trade association?”* This discussion panel brings together young professionals representing the next generation of leaders within the TIC sector to tackle several key questions along the theme of the evolution of the sector and the role of trade associations for cooperation within the sector.

#### **Panelists:**

*Nicolas Roosens*, Head of Innovation, Vinçotte

*Mads Realmuto*, Global Government Affairs & Communications, UL (tbc)

*Samantha Ngapanoun*, Director Corporate Development, SGS (tbc)

*Dayna Bahig*, Operations Manager and Partner, Rochem Inspectors

*Thomas Daubigny*, Group Chief Digital Officer, Bureau Veritas

**Moderator:** *tbc*

**16:00-18:00 – Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen meeting of the new committees**

**19:00 – Joint Committees Dinner, Le Boeuf sur le Toit**

## Day three: 14 December 2018

**09:30-13:00 – Committee meetings**