

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:

Orsolya Csorba, Deputy Head of Unit, EU Commission DG Justice and Consumers

Rebecca Balogh, Standards Attaché, US Mission to the EU

Justin Macmullan, Director of Advocacy, Consumers International

Maurits Bruggink, Secretary General, EMOTA

Fred Herren, SVP Digital and Innovation, SGS

Moderator: *Lisa Bate*, President Americas, Bureau Veritas

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:

8:00-09:30 – IFIA Council meeting (IFIA Council members only)

8:30-10:00 – CEOC Extraordinary General Assembly (CEOC and IFIA Members only)

10:00-11:45 – IFIA General Assembly and IFIA Committee Presentations (IFIA and CEOC Members only)

- India Steering Committee: Suresh Sugavanam, Chairman, UL & Madhumita Guha, Vice-Chair, Intertek
- Americas Committee: Joan Sterling, Intertek
- 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: Lisa Bate, Bureau Veritas
- Anti-Counterfeiting: Katharina Seidel, Vice-chair, TÜV Rheinland

11:45-12:00 – 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

Samantha Ngapanoun, Director Corporate Development, SGS

Dayna Bahig, Operations Manager and Partner, Rochem Inspectors

Thomas Daubigny, Group Chief Digital Officer, Bureau Veritas

Moderator: *Samuel Hill*, Junior Accreditation Manager, IFIA

16:00-18:00 – Chairs and Vice-Chairs meeting of the committees (closed meeting)

19:00 – Committee Members’ Dinner, Le Boeuf sur le Toit (only Committee members)

Day three: 14 December 2018

09:30-13:00 – Committee meetings (Public Affairs and Communications committee members only)