





# SECOND INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP ON PELLET SAFETY

5-7 May 2014, Fügen, Austria

Following on from the huge success of the first workshop on pellet safety last year, the European Pellet Council (EPC), in cooperation with the SafePellets project, the European Industry of Pellet Suppliers (EIPS), and the International Biomass Torrefaction Council (IBTC) would like to invite you to the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Workshop on Pellet Safety, taking place on the 5-7 May 2014 in Fügen, Austria. This workshop will be chaired by Mr. Christian Rakos, EPC President and will be held in the same venue as last year.

#### Overview:

The manufacturing, handling and use of woodpellets or pellets from torrefied biomass pose serious safety issues. Wood dust can lead to explosions and fires, pellets in storage can heat up, generate CO and even self-ignite. Safety and health issues can also occur in the supply chain and during the end use as fuel in power plants and heating devices. Hence, there is a clear need to have a better understanding of these issues in order to prevent it. This second international workshop on pellet safety is organised with this purpose.

The workshop will proceed in two parts. The first part will be dedicated to formal presentations. These will include presentations of the results of the SafePellets project, presentations of safety experts on incidents and learnings and reports on the follow up activities that were proposed during the first international pellet safety workshop. The second part will be organized as open space workshop ensuring maximum interaction and focus on the topics participants are most interested in.

## **PROGRAMME**

# 5 May

11.00 Visit of the Binderholz Pelleting Plant

12.00 Registration

12.30 Lunch

13.30 Presentations

18.30 Dinner

#### 6 May

09.00 Presentations

12.30 Lunch

13.30 Open Space Workshop

18.30 Dinner

# 7 May

09.00 Open Space Workshop

12.30 Lunch

# Around 100 participants responsible in the following areas are expected to attend:

- Safety in pellet plant operations
- Pellet logistics including port operations
- Power plant operation
- Heating plant operation
- Safety experts of inspection companies
- Researchers
- Safety experts
- Experts in health impacts of wood dust
- Manufacturers of pellet plants
- Engineering consultants
- Manufacturers of safety equipment
- Torrefaction safety experts

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#### Call for contributions:

Contributions in the form of oral presentations of 20 min are welcome. These should cover either reports on practical experiences with safety management, conclusions from incidents, innovative ways of mitigating risks or related R&D work. Please send an abstract of your intended contribution to the Conference Secretariat by March 17, 2014.

#### WORKSHOP INFORMATION

Date: 5-7 May 2014

**Venue:** The workshop will take place in the Binderholz Wood Industry in Fügen, a large sawmill complex with a 100,000t pellet production plant, biomass CHP and a splendid conference facility integrated into the plant. Fügen is located in the heart of Tyrol, Austria. It is close to the airports of Innsbruck and Munich.

Language: English only

## **REGISTRATION FEE:**

350 € for AEBIOM, EPC, EIPS, IBTC members\* 450 € until 21 April 2014\* 550 € after 21 April 2014\* \*excl. VAT (20%)

# Registration:

- Please complete the registration form by clicking on this link <u>REGISTRATION</u>
- The registration will be complete once the payment of the invoice is made

#### Accommodation:

Hotel Schiestl

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\*Please mention your participation to the Pellet Safety Workshop to benefit from a special rate of 59€/night

# **CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT**

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