



## **f** pinfa workshop on “Building the future for flame retardants in E&E”

**21 May 2010** – pinfa organises a one-day workshop on “Building the future for flame retardants in E&E” on 24<sup>th</sup> June 2010, in Brussels, Belgium.

The workshop aims at interacting with direct users of flame retardants and other stakeholders such as electronic manufacturers, regulators (European Commission, EU Member States, ...) and NGOs. Key questions like how to approach the future of flame retardancy and how to improve the communication throughout the supply chain will be addressed. Presentations will include a look at the trends and future directions in the management of flame retardants.

The morning session will first focus on pinfa achievements and challenges since its creation a year ago. DG Enterprise (European Commission) will then make a keynote speech on “Green chemistry, the role of legislation and business opportunities”. The NGO ChemSec will provide an overview on its perspective on flame retardants and the environment. The 2<sup>nd</sup> part of the morning will focus on market trends in flame retardants with presentations from compounders (Rhodia / DSM), an electronic manufacturer (Philips) and from iNEMI, the International Electronics Manufacturing Initiative.

The afternoon will centre on health & environmental aspects: UBA (Umweltbundesamt) will share its view on information needs on flame retardants; DG Sanco (Health and Consumer) will present the European Commission approach for flame retardants in consumer products. The 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the afternoon will see presentations on recycling of polymers containing flame retardants (LNE) and on the EU research project ENFIRO on substitution options.

This event is part of a series of workshops organised by pinfa. Go to [pinfa Workshops](#).

If you wish to receive more information on the workshop of 24<sup>th</sup> June, please contact the pinfa Secretariat at [pinfa@cefic.be](mailto:pinfa@cefic.be).