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## **New Conductive Polymers Project**

EuPC participates in a new European project to develop training materials on conductive plastic materials for the benefit of plastics converters.

iPolyCond, a two-year project funded by the Transfer of Innovation strand of the European Commission's Lifelong Learning Programme will integrate the available state of the art scientific knowledge and experience of the consortium to develop, write and test industry-specific training materials and resources.

iPolyCond builds on the work undertaken by the European project PolyCond which successfully developed eco-friendly, cost effective and high added value conductive plastics composites which are radically innovative, knowledge based and sustainable for the protection against the effects of Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) and Electrostatic (ESD).

Conductive polymers are breakthrough materials which will allow the SME sector to expand their product range into new applications by offering materials with an expanded range of physical and electrical properties.

iPolyCond will be developed in a consortium of 10 partners from across Europe including the EuPC, iSmithers RAPRA, British Plastics Federation, AIMPLAS, TBA Electro Conductive Products Ltd., Betase and VTT.

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### Note to Editors:

This project is co-funded by the Transfer of Innovation strand of the European Lifelong Learning Programme. The Leonardo programme funds a number of opportunities for organizations



involved in vocational education and training to develop new materials and manage European networks.

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**EuPC** is the EU-level Trade Association, based in Brussels, representing **European Plastics Converters**. Plastics converters (sometimes called "Processors") are the heart of the plastics industry. They manufacture plastics semi-finished and finished products for an extremely wide range of industrial and consumer markets - the automotive electrical and electronic, packaging, construction and healthcare industries, to name but a few.

EuPC now totals about 51 European Plastics Converting national and European industry associations, it represents close to 50,000 companies, producing over 45 millions tonnes of plastic products every year.

The European plastics industry makes a significant contribution to the welfare in Europe by enabling innovation, creating quality of life to citizens and facilitating resource efficiency and climate protection.

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