

# Press Release

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## Karl-H. Foerster will leave PlasticsEurope

PlasticsEurope and Karl-H. Foerster have agreed, that as of 1 September 2019, Karl-H. Foerster will leave as the Executive Director of PlasticsEurope for personal reasons by mutual consent. The Steering Board expresses their sincere appreciation for Karl's impressive achievements over the past 6 years. He has played a crucial role in the development and success of the organisation. Under his leadership, several internal reforms strengthening the association were executed, membership was expanded, and he had a key role in setting up the World Plastics Council.

Karl-H. Foerster, Executive Director of PlasticsEurope, stated: "I am grateful for the excellent collaboration with PlasticsEurope staff and our members and I am very proud of what we have achieved together."

Javier Constante, President of PlasticsEurope, added: "Among Karl's many contributions, one of the most important milestones he achieved was the development of the Voluntary Commitment "Plastics 2030", which became part of the European Commission's plastics strategy towards a circular economy."

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### Editors' note

*PlasticsEurope is one of the leading European trade associations with centres in Brussels, Frankfurt, London, Madrid, Milan and Paris. We are networking with European and national plastics associations and have more than 100 member companies, producing over 90% of all polymers across the EU28 member states plus Norway, Switzerland and Turkey. 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. More than 1.45 million people are working in 62,000 companies (mainly small and medium sized companies in the converting sector) to create a turnover above 350 bn EUR per year. The plastics industry includes polymer producers - represented by PlasticsEurope, converters - represented by EuPC - and machine manufacturers - represented by EUROMAP.*

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