EIHA European Industrial Hemp Association

Association

EIHA was originally founded as an association of the members of the European Hemp industry. Regular members include primary Hemp processors in the EU. Associate members may be associations, research organisations and companies and individuals working in the area of Hemp and other natural fibres. Founded in 2005, EIHA today has 8 regular and more than 74 associated members from 28 countries. EIHA was founded to give industry a voice at the European Commission in Brussels. It has rapidly become a respected industry association that provides effective lobbying and serves as an information bank.
The annual EIHA conference (www.eiha-conference.org / more than 150 participants from 30 countries) has become an attractive opportunity for members and visitors to meet, learn about developments and exchange views with their colleagues. The conference is the most important event on industrial Hemp – worldwide!

European Hemp Fibres are available for your bio-based products: Today, China, Canada and Europe are the main Hemp cultivation areas in the world. In 2010 the total cultivation area in the European Union was around 10,000 ha. These areas produce around 24,000 t Hemp fibres. All by products like shivs (woody part of the Hemp stem) and dust are used. Main countries for Hemp production are France, UK, Germany, The Netherlands and Poland. Hemp fibres, ready to use in your bio-based products are price competitive to other domestic and exotic fibres for technical applications. Different qualities are available.

European Hemp fibre is currently used mainly in technical applications like speciality paper (cigarette paper, technical filters), insulation material, natural fibre reinforced plastics (automotive, industrial and consumer goods), mulch and cultivation fleeces. Especially insulation and plastic reinforcement show promising market increases. Different options for feeding Hemp fibres in injection moulding processing are available today.
The EIHA Hemp processors produce on average each year between 10,000 and 15,000 tonnes of technical Hemp fibres. As Hemp is an annual crop this quantity can be easily increased according to demand.

Please find the Hemp processors for your demand on www.eiha.org

Pictures (left to right):
Winter & Linotech, Hock, Lotus cars.

EUROPEAN INDUSTRIAL HEMP ASSOCIATION (EIHA)

Foundation

- 2005

Members

- Regular members: 8
- Associate members: 74

Key services

- Effective lobbying at the European Commission in Brussels
- Consulting
- Networking
- Huge EIHA database, more than 300 presentations, reports and documents

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