

European Sealing Association 2026 Activities Summary Document

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ACTIVITY	CURRENT STATUS	NEXT STEPS
PFAS restriction process	Preparation for SEAC consultation end March 2026. Template created for SEAC Q&A consultation. Meetings with other associations.	Position paper towards SEAC. Share template with members and other associations Further preparation on SEAC consultation
Peroxides in Elastomers for Food consumption	French document received. No further update	To be further monitored
Plastic reduction projects	Alternatives for plastic SWG spacers, stretch foil and packing boxes – finalized.	Monitoring other materials such as wood based fibre straps, Graphene to investigated
Recycling Fluoropolymers	3M Dyneon approached – no news Infraserv approached → Dyneon Gendorf closed 12/25	Attending meeting where FPG will launch EoL on FP in Q1. Continue search for recycling methods/companies.

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Standards & Regulation	Digital Product Passport	Chrisantos Rich will perform a presentation on Pump application during AGM meeting
	EU DRINKING WATER DIRECTIVE (DWD 2020/2184) still in progress	ESA attending plenary meeting with EDW & DWD and Symposium in Brussels 17/06/26
Young Engineers Proposal to approach students who could start a project on recycling, LCA, EoL of FP or any other project related to sealing technology.	ESG WG members have approached the University of Milan and University of Rosenheim for potential student candidates.	→ ESA has to come up with potential projects for a thesis! → To be communicated in every divisional meeting
European Industrial Summit – Antwerp on 11/02	ESA attended the Summit in to increase the network and put ESA in the picture.	Contineous communication with other associations with the focus to exempt FP from ECHA restriction