

# European Sealing Association 2026 Projects and Tasks for Divisions

Division: Flange Gaskets

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Activity	Current status	Next steps	Responsible/ Date
<b>ESA data base –</b> <a href="http://www.ESAdata.org">www.ESAdata.org</a>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Flange Gasket database <a href="http://www.esadata.org">www.esadata.org</a> has 136 datasheets from 20 manufacturers</li><li>New functionalities have been added</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Attract more manufacturers to add datasheets</li><li>Advertise the database</li></ul>	Taskforce - Ongoing
<b>Flange Gaskets Training Course</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Three gasket training modules have been finished and uploaded to the Knowledgebase</li><li>Two additional modules are finished and are checked currently</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Upload the two new training courses to the Knowledgebase</li><li>Promote the training courses</li></ul>	DES / Actuado – Ongoing
<b>Hydrogen Aging Test Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>A new project in cooperation with CETIM about aging of flange gaskets in air and hydrogen atmosphere has been established</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Gasket material selection has to be finished</li><li>Test parameters and conditions have to be established</li><li>Tests to commence in spring 2026</li></ul>	RV / HL- Ongoing
<b>Articles for Valve World</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Three articles from this Division have been published in Valve World in 2025</li><li>They are also available in the ESA Knowledgebase</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>More volunteers required to write articles to be published in 2026</li></ul>	All - Ongoing