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European Organic Peroxide Safety Group (EOPSG) becomes a sector group of CEFIC to further increase the awareness of safe use of organic peroxides.

Brussels, 16 February 2021 – In response to the Chemicals Strategy for Sustainability, the European Organic Peroxide Safety Group (EOPSG) sees a growing need to highlight the importance of organic peroxides and their safe use. The group sees that Cefic can provide EOPSG with the tools needed to achieve this and has decided to join Cefic as a Sector Group.

Commenting on the decision, the newly elected Chair, Peter Schuurman from Nouryon said: “Having the European Organic Peroxide Safety Group as a part of CEFIC, will give the group more exposure to the outside world and will further increase the awareness of safe use of organic peroxides”

The main purpose of EOPSG within the CEFIC umbrella will be to review relevant upcoming legislation, suggest improvements, generate data, suggest new test methods and establish safe working practices for organic peroxides.

Organic peroxides are **essential ingredients in a variety of polymer and construction materials, helping to produce them, improve their properties, and make them easier to process or recycle.** Because of their chemical characteristics, safety is of utmost importance.

EOPSG was founded by Arkema, Nouryon, PERGAN and United Initiators. Since the late sixties, EOPSG actively generates product safety data and promotes safe handling, transport and storage of organic peroxides. After being a stand-alone group for so many years, EOPSG will now be incorporated in CEFIC organization as a sector group to further highlight its importance.

For more information about EOPSG, we invite you to visit our [webpage](https://specialty-chemicals.eu/european-organic-peroxide-safety-group-eopsg/).