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Seminar “Trends in the plastics industry”

*The future of the plastics processing industry,
automation of processes in the production of plastic products,
technologies of the future, but also of the present in the plastics industry,
innovations and procedures aimed at reducing costs in companies.*

Target group: owners, directors of companies, production directors and managers of manufacturing companies, technologists, development workers, designers, mould designers for plastics, project managers, process managers, quality technicians, adjusters - seniors, and other experts who work in plastic companies or the professional public cooperating with them.

Date: 22-23 November 2022

Place: Demänová no. 492, Liptovský Mikuláš district, SLOVAKIA

Presentation of representative of Slovak Plastic Cluster during the Seminar:

“Outputs of the PERCY project - supporting the establishment of business activities with countries outside the EU”


Richard Martin Tekel', MSc.

Mr. Richard Martin Tekel', a delegate of the project PERCY consortium, representing the Slovak Plastic Cluster, gave a lecture at the conference, where he introduced the participants to the partnership of the PERCY project, its realized activities and foreign missions, the goals and outputs of the project.

Mr. Tekel' talked about each abroad mission in a non-EU country (Canada, the USA, India, and Israel), and what was agreed on the basis of the Memorandum of Understanding. He paused on a Canadian mission, where it was necessary to define precise frameworks. He highlighted the type of project as encourage the audience that would be interested in cooperation with the countries in question to give proposals for cooperation. He also underlined that it does not have

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to be only business proposals, but it can be a partnership in research, exchange of students, cooperation in doctoral studies, etc. The speaker pointed out that these memoranda opened the door to countries where entrepreneurs would not be able to enter as independent entities. He also spoke about the fact that the cooperation is bilateral, so it does not have to be only export to the given countries or cooperation with the organizations with which the memorandum was signed or their member companies, but also the given organizations or their member companies, schools or research institutes can also search for partners in Europe.

Mr. Tekel's presentation followed up on the presentation about the fair "K – show" and some of the news he discovered there. It was also a meeting place of the Percy consortium where a common partnership workshop was held.

He drew attention to recycling, a new view of it from the side of clients/users, that recycled materials and products from them do not have to meet a perfect visual appearance. He also emphasized that where recycled products can be used, it is necessary to agree between suppliers and customers. It is also necessary to cooperate on the development of materials based on recycling to such an extent that the final product has very similar properties to a product made from virgin material.

Overall, Mr. Tekel urged all participants that more information will be available on the project PERCY website and he opened a common discussion.



„The experience was very good, I believe the cluster members got all the needed information and concise project overview and takeaways, however, they did not respond directly in the auditorium. There was dinner afterward and during the dinner, multiple companies approached me with their queries (e.g. regarding the project, about the result). The workshop during the Seminar worked well, but it is needed to be paired with some networking afterward so the companies have enough time to ask what is their specific interest in a more private setting.“

Richard Martin Tekel, MSc.



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