



Press release

## ERRLAB: a Common initiative to improve technical support to Small and Medium Rubber Enterprises in Europe.

Brussels - January, 26<sup>th</sup> 2015, took place the official signature of the European platform ERRLAB. ERRLAB which means European Research and Rubber Laboratories is a European informal network of laboratories for research and testing in rubber applications, established by France, Germany and Italy benchmark rubber laboratories (LRCCP, DIK, CERISIE respectively), with the support of the rubber industry National Associations (SNCP, WDK, Assogomma respectively) and the European Tyre and Rubber Manufacturers Association (ETRMA). More than 100 doctors, engineers and technicians highly rubber specialized are committed.

ERRLAB objective is to share resources and expertise in order to provide an ever better and complete technical service to the European rubber manufacturing industry, with a special attention to small and medium enterprises, in the field of Environment, Health and Safety studies, Research & Development, testing and certification.

Networking and cooperation can support the scientific and technological development of the rubber sector and the strengthening of the European rubber Industry towards the ever challenging safety and environmental requirements.

### 3 laboratories, 3 national associations and 1 European organization



Deutsches Institut für Kautschuktechnologie e.V.. DIK is an international reference institution in the rubber technology, based in Germany and was created in 1984.



Laboratoire de Recherche et de Contrôle du Caoutchouc et des Plastiques. French rubber and plastics research and testing laboratory, created in 1942.



Laboratorio per la Certificazione e Ricerca sui Sistemi Elastomerici (Cerisie). Italian Laboratory for Research and Development on Elastomeric Systems, created in 1974.



ETRMA is the leading voice of the tyre and rubber goods producers in the EU, since 1959. It represents more than 4000 companies producing tyres and rubber products for a wide range of applications.



Italian Rubber Manufacturers' association, member of Plastics and Rubber Federation created in 1945. About 200 members.



Syndicat National du Caoutchouc et des Polymères. French Rubber manufacturers' association created in 1863. More than 100 members



Wirtschaftsverband der deutschen Kautschukindustrie. Wdk, created in 1894, is the economic and political representation of the German manufacturers of tyres and technical elastomers products, More than 140 members..

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