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TECHNICAL SYMPOSIUM

Date: Thursday December 4th 2025
Time: 09:00 hrs. – 15:30 hrs.
Venue: Hostellerie Klokhof
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Time	PROGRAM / Titles	Speakers (Company)
09:00 hrs.	Welcome /Registration Coffee/tea	
09:30 hrs.	Opening by Dr. Jacques Warnon President ATIPIC and by Laura Dubrulle AFTPVA (N)	
09:35 hrs.	Session AFTPVA (N) : Chairman Laura Dubrulle	
09:35 hrs.	Driving Sustainability through advanced additive technology	*Tina LEYH (Münzing Chemie GmbH)*
10:10 hrs.	Bio-Based Polysaccharide Resins – Sustainable Alternatives for Modern Coating Systems	*Dimitri Hussin (Stockmeier)*
10:45 hrs.	Coffee Break	
11:00 hrs.	ASTRAD – The new industry benchmark for compatibility	*Dr. Yann Wolf (Penn Color)*
11:35 hrs.	Session ATIPIC: Chairman Dr. Jacques Warnon President ATIPIC	
11:35 hrs.	Exploring Technologies Accelerating Paint Formulation Innovation	*Tanguy van Regemorter (Manetco)*
12:10 hrs.	Lunch	
13:40 hrs.	Innovation synergy: Clariant's wetting & dispersing agents powered by digital formulation solutions. Showcasing a success-case by our distribution partner Prayon	*Julien Ceccon (Clariant); Steven Vandorpe (Prayon)*
14:25 hrs.	Systems: Boosting your Coating Novel Waterborne Epoxy Performance	*Dominique Vandenberghe (Westlake Epoxy)*
15:00 hrs.	Closure and networking drinks	

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09:35 hrs. **Driving Sustainability through advanced additive technology** — *Tina LEYH (Münzig)*

Sustainable additives play a crucial role in helping coatings and paint manufacturers meet their environmental objectives. MÜNZING offers a comprehensive portfolio of green products—including thickeners, dispersing agents, wetting agents, defoamers, and waxes—designed to support eco-friendly formulations.
The MÜNZING's development strategy is guided by two key sustainability parameters:
- Renewable Content, determined by ASTM D 6866, which reduces reliance on fossil resources and lowers the carbon footprint.
- Micro plastic free and Biodegradability, assessed according to OECD guidelines, addressing environmental concerns such as micro plastic pollution.

A core focus of this approach is to ensure that sustainable additives deliver performance equal to or better than conventional alternatives. This presentation outlines MÜNZING's pathways toward greener additive technologies and showcases performance data from sustainable products in coatings and paints.

10:10 hrs. **Bio-Based Polysaccharide Resins – Sustainable Alternatives for Modern Coating Systems** — *Dimitri Hussin (Stockmeier)*

From anti-graffiti applications to sports field marking, this presentation highlights the versatility and performance of bio-based polysaccharide resins in today's coating technologies. Beyond their broad application potential, these innovative resins already make a measurable contribution to reducing VOC emissions, offering a sustainable and future ready alternative for the coatings industry.

11:00 hrs. **ASTRAD – The new industry benchmark for compatibility** — *Dr. Yann Wolf (Penn Color)*

ASTRAD is a portfolio of water-based, solvent-borne and UV pigmented dispersions for a broad range of applications including architectural, automotive and industrial coatings. The development of coloured dispersions is not only dealing with coloristic properties but is also related to compatibility with various paint systems depending on the final application. Moreover, storage stability in terms of settling behaviour and viscosity profile is crucial for the overall performance of the dispersion. The presentation will give a special focus on how to achieve those performance goals within a limited period by using established technologies under certain conditions. This approach is further supported by a software solution serving as platform in the lab to accelerate R&D workflows and make design of experiments more efficient.

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11:35 hrs.	**Exploring Technologies Accelerating Paint Formulation Innovation**	***Tanguy van Regemorter (Manetco***

The evolution of environmental regulations and increasingly rapid market changes are forcing industries to accelerate the research and development of new products and formulations. The search for formulations adapted to new environmental standards or the creation of new products incorporating key innovations such as active ingredient encapsulation or the presence of nanoparticles with precise size control represent increasingly complex challenges that require new technologies like microfluidics, process intensification, or high-throughput screening to accelerate their development.

These emerging technologies are highly promising, but it is not always obvious where to start and especially how to test them quickly while limiting risks and minimizing investments. During this presentation, we will explain how these technologies can accelerate R&D projects and help companies rethink their production processes. We will also, through case studies, explain how a lean approach combined with digital technologies enables testing new ideas as quickly as possible to focus maximum resources on the most promising ones.

13:40 hrs.	**Innovation synergy: Clariant's wetting & dispersing agents powered by digital formulation solutions. Showcasing a success-case by our distribution partner Prayon**	***Julien Ceccon (Clariant); Steven Vandorpe (Prayon)***

In an era where paint and coatings manufacturers face increasingly complex challenges, shortened product lifecycles, and resource constraints, Clariant and Prayon, its distribution partner in France and Benelux, are pleased to present Clariant's wetting and dispersing agents and Digital Formulation Factory, demonstrating how this powerful combination can synergistically accelerate coating development while enhancing performance and sustainability.
The first segment highlights Clariant's comprehensive portfolio of surfactant-based and polymeric dispersing agents, including our flagship Dispersogen and Emulsogen product lines. We'll examine how these solutions deliver measurable benefits across diverse applications, from architectural coatings to industrial finishes and printing inks. Key innovations such as Dispersogen Flex 100, which enables noticeable reduction of grinding time and energy consumption, Dispersogen SP range for biocide-free indoor paints, and Dispersogen PLF 200, that provides long-term stability and sagging resistance to water-based industrial coatings, demonstrate our commitment to performance and sustainability. The presentation will detail how these additives improve dispersion stability, enhance processing efficiency, and deliver superior end-product performance while meeting stringent eco-label requirements.

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The second segment introduces Clariant's Digital Formulation Factory. Our high throughput experimentation platform addresses key pain points in the coatings sector, including resource-intensive development processes, long testing timelines, and the need for rapid responses to market demands. The presentation will highlight how the DFF is particularly beneficial for waterborne paint producers, mid-sized companies, and those interested in wetting and dispersing agent screening and benchmarking. Additionally, we will showcase how the DFF supports customers in addressing regulatory pressures, improving carbon footprints, and indicating cost reduction possibilities in formulations. Finally, we will focus on use cases illustrating DFF's capabilities and benefits in terms of formulation improvement and resource optimization.
By integrating high-performance dispersing agents with intelligent digital solutions, paint formulators are empowered to overcome technical challenges more efficiently while developing coatings that meet evolving market demands for performance, sustainability, and regulatory compliance.

14:25 hrs.	**Systems: Boosting your Coating Novel Waterborne Epoxy Performance**	***Dominique Vandenberghe (Westlake Epoxy)***

The shift from conventional solvent-borne protective epoxy coatings to waterborne technologies aims to reduce VOC emissions, comply with regulatory standards and meet the growing demand for environmentally friendly and less hazardous products. This presentation discusses Westlake Epoxy's latest developments in waterborne, in both epoxy and amine technology, enabling the formulation of high-performing, ultra-low VOC protective paints that enhances final coating performance while maintaining ease of application. One of these new products, the Enabling Curing Agent, defines the next level of performance and robustness, especially on corrosion protection for smooth steel. It allows to reduce formulation complexity and cost while facilitating handling and improving paint stability.

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REGISTRATION

REGISTRATION FEES (Lunch included)

ATIPIC/AFTPVA/NVVT member:	**100,00** EUR (VAT included)
Retired ATIPIC/AFTPVA/NVVT member:	**50,00** EUR (VAT included)
Non ATIPIC/AFTPVA/NVVT member:	**200,000** EUR (VAT included)
Student:	**Free of fee**
Speaker:	**Free of fee**

REGISTRATION & CANCELLING

Registrations are to be made at the latest on **November 27th 2025** and exclusively with this link:

Registration form

The payment has to be made by transfer on the ATIPIC banking account number BE22 2710 6182 9347 before November 27th 2025
Please mention your first name and last name as communication on your bank transfer.

To cancel your registration please contact by mail info@atipic.be at the latest by November 29th
Any cancelling after this date will induce the sending of an invoice for the mentioned amount on the fill-in registration form.

Coming up ATIPIC events in 2026

- February 4th: Technical and scientific symposium & GA, Martin'S Red Hotel Tubize
- April: Technical symposium NVVT / ATIPIC (date and venue not fixed)
- June 3rd: Symposium and visit at SIRRIS, Heverlee
- October 1st: Technical Academic Afternoon Workshop ATIPIC / BPG (venue not fixed)
- October: ATIPIC Relax, cultural excursion for members only (date and venue not fixed)
- December 3rd: ATIPIC Webinar

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