

## Article - The European Chemical Employers Group underpins its social partner position by approving new statutes

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*“The Association has a mandate from its members to engage in a permanent and constructive social dialogue at the European level with the relevant European Trade Union Organisations of the chemical, pharmaceutical, plastic and rubber industries.” (Article 5 of ECEG’s new statutes)*

Approved by the General Assembly on 12 December 2016, the ECEG is now one of the 9 employers’ organizations with a clear statutory mandate to negotiate European Agreements. A detailed section of the new by-laws focuses specifically on this mandate.

“The European Commission looks closely at the representativeness of the social partners. Hence, we are confident that the ECEG proves to be a true European sectoral social partner by putting into practice Article 155 of the TFEU (Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union) which defines the social dialogue process within the European Union”, says ECEG President Yves Verschueren.

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### About ECEG

ECEG, the European Chemical Employers Group, founded in 2002, is a recognised European Sectoral Social Partner, representing the chemicals, pharmaceuticals, rubber and plastics industries in Europe. Our sector provides approximately 3.3 million direct jobs in more than 94.000 enterprises.