

## **The Titanium Dioxide industry is assessing the details of the final ECHA Risk Assessment Committee scientific opinion for the harmonised classification of TiO<sub>2</sub>**

12 October 2017 - The Risk Assessment Committee (RAC) of the European Chemicals Agency has published its scientific opinion to classify titanium dioxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) as a suspected carcinogen (cat. 2) by inhalation. Details of the opinion can be found [here](#).

The Titanium Dioxide Manufacturers Association (TDMA) is assessing the detailed opinion and will issue a statement in due course. We stand behind the safety of our product in all of its applications and we will continue to ensure its safe use. We will seek to work with European authorities regarding the next steps in the process of this opinion.

### **About titanium dioxide**

*Titanium dioxide is by far the world's highest volume and most versatile white pigment, and is used in the manufacture of a wide range of products including paints, coatings, plastics, paper and as a food colorant. In non-pigmentary form TiO<sub>2</sub> is used as a UV-filter in sunscreens and in many depollution technologies. Across the EU, the industry directly supports close to 23,000 jobs and hundreds of billions of Euros in added value. Titanium dioxide has been repeatedly examined and found safe by authorities around the world.*

### **About TDMA**

*The Titanium Dioxide Manufacturers Association - TDMA is a sector group of Cefic (the European Chemical Industry Council) and it represents the major producers of titanium dioxide (TiO<sub>2</sub>) and acts as their responsible voice in Europe since 1974. TDMA promotes and defends the merits of titanium dioxide in all suitable applications by bringing forward evidence of its safety and efficacy. TDMA is a non-profit organisation and it has no commercial role. For all commercial enquiries, please refer to the websites of our members.  
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