



Sustainable Polymers in Liquid Formulation Summit 2026

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8.30-9.30	Registration and Refreshments
9.30-9.40	Welcome & introductions RSC President, Professor Robert Mokaya
09.40	Session 1: Sustainable PLFs Transition Pathway Session chair: Professor Anju Massey-Brooker, RSC
09.45	Transformation can't be engineered. So, what can? Dr Aurora Antemir, Systems Change Lead, RSC
10.05	Session 2: Towards Building Shared Definitions, Data Infrastructure & Methodologies. Session chair: Professor Anju Massey-Brooker, RSC
10.10	Chem-X Digital Material Passport: Harmonized Sustainability Data Exchange for Chemicals Along the Value Chain. Alessandro Pistillo, Director, Sustainability & Digital strategic projects at BASF
10.35	Materials Innovation for a Sustainable and Competitive Future: From National Strategy to Delivery. Professor David Knowles, CBE, CEO
11.00	Networking break and PLFs SME showcase
11.30	Session 3: Building a Coherent Learning Ecosystem. Session chair: Professor Anju Massey Brooker, RSC
11.35	Designing Biobased and Biodegradable Synthetic Polymers Towards Novel PLFs Professor Antoine Buchard, University of York
12.00	Nature-inspired Solutions to a Dirty Problem: Biosourced Polymers Enable More Sustainable Fabric Cleaning. Professor Clare Mahon, University of Durham
12.25	EPSRC Prosperity Partnership Mission Biodegradability. Dr Amy Goddard, Croda
12.50	Networking lunch and PLFs SME showcase
13.50	Session 4: Building a Shared Strategic Mandate for PLFs: Session chair: Dr Kate Carlisle, RSC
13.55	From Fossil to Future: Rewriting the Rules of Europe's Carbon Economy nova-Institute, Lara Dammer, Head of Policy and Strategy

14.20	From Ambition to Application: Delivering Circular and Sustainable Solutions in Europe. Eleonora Mancinelli, Sector Group Manager, Cefic
14.45	Sustainable Polymers in Liquid Formulation – The Carbon Transition, Dr Adrian Higson CChem, MRSC Managing Director, Alder BioInsights
15.10	Networking break and PLFs SME showcase
15.40	Session 5: Panel Discussion Is the World Ready for a Sustainable Product Market? Session chair: Dr Kate Carlisle, RSC
15.45	Panellists: BBIA, Dr Jen Vanderhoven, FRSC, CEO BASA, The Adhesives and Sealants Association, Lorna Williams, CEO British Coatings Federation, Zoe Slade, Sustainability Lead Royal Society of Chemistry, Dr Tanya Sheridan, Head of Policy & Evidence Cefic, Eleonora Mancinelli, Sector Group Manager
16.40	Session 6: Spotlights
16.45	Safe and Sustainable PLFs by Design - Real-world case studies, Dr Martin Klatt, BASF
16.55	The UK Network Plus for Sustainable Coatings. Professor Elizabeth Gibson, Newcastle University & Professor Matthew Unthank, Northumbria University
17.15	Closing remarks , Professor Anju Massey-Brooker, Technical Lead PLFs initiative