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Leading associations to co-operate on EU technical and environmental issues

EGMF, EPTA and Pneurop have signed a mutual co-operation agreement to work together on crucial technical and environmental policy challenges facing their industries. The initial focus will be on energy efficiency. The 3 associations will share information, undertake research, have regular meetings and seek other areas of cooperation on technical and legislative matters.

A joint working group will be set up to ensure that practical business benefits flow from the agreement, both for members and their suppliers and customers, as well as improving the quality and coherence of input to EU decision makers.

"With the world of regulation becoming more complex and dynamic, it is important to build strategic alliances" explains Fabian Gwodzi, EGMF, Technical Committee Chairman ". As the chairman of the technical committee of EGMF, I highly appreciate the cooperation agreement between EGMF, EPTA and PNEUROP. It will enable us to work together more closely and coordinate our activities to the benefit of all our members."

"There will be real commercial benefits in sharing experience, networks and ideas" says Charles Tollit, Director General, EPTA

"I am delighted that Pneurop is joining EPTA and EGMF, to cooperate on matters of common interest to manufacturers of all types of power tools, starting with the ambitious aim of providing information on energy efficiency to our customers." says Jenny Buck, Chairperson, Pneurop Tools Committee.

About:

The European Garden Machinery industry Federation (EGMF) serves the interests of hand-held garden tool manufacturers. www.egmf.org

The European Power Tool Association (EPTA) represents the interests of portable and, transportable electric power tool manufacturers. <http://www.epta.eu>

PNEUROP is the committee of manufacturers of compressors, vacuum pumps, pneumatic tools and air & condensate treatment equipment www.pneurop.eu

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