

European Pallet Association e. V. (EPAL)

PRESS RELEASE

EPAL and UIC: Initial concerted action

Düsseldorf, 01.06.2015 - An initial concerted action by the EPAL and UIC inspection companies, Bureau Veritas and SGS, took place on 27th May 2015 on the premises of a licensee of both organisations. The joint operation is the result of a meeting of EPAL and UIC representatives held on 20th May 2015 in Vienna, in which the joint responsibility for the open pallet exchange pool and maintaining the quality standard of the pool were discussed.

The concerted action is the first joint step following the signing of the agreement on the common European pallet pool on 24th November 2014. Further joint operations are in the pipeline.

EPAL:

The European Pallet Association e.V. (EPAL) was founded in 1991 as the umbrella association of licensed producers and repairers of EPAL/EUR-pallets and box pallets. EPAL is globally responsible for the consistent quality of the EPAL load carriers and therefore uses an independent external quality inspection service. EPAL has been granting exclusive licenses for the production and repair of Euro pallets with the "EPAL in oval" branded marking on four corner blocks since 1st August 2013. EPAL is currently represented in more than thirty countries by fourteen National Committees which have committed themselves to implementing the EPAL objectives on a national basis. As a registered association, EPAL does not pursue any commercial interests and makes all its decisions in the interests of its industry, trade and logistics partners.

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