

Products in Compliance Conference

Providing practical insight into the product compliance, sustainability and market access regulations shaping global manufacturing

4-5 NOVEMBER 2026 | HILTON LONDON HEATHROW (T4), HEATHROW, UK

Conference programme

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WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2026 | MORNING

9.15 Registration and Refreshments

9.30 Welcome and Scene Setting

Emily Tyrwhitt Jones | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance, RINA

DAY 1: MORNING

Chair: Emily Tyrwhitt Jones | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance, RINA

9.40 Understanding the Digital Product Passport: Regulatory Requirements and Information Management under ESPR

Anna Laura Palmarelli | Product Manager, RINA

- What the Digital Product Passport is and how it fits into the EU Ecodesign for Sustainable Products Regulation (ESPR)
- Current and future obligations: who is impacted today and which product categories may fall into scope over time
- Roles and responsibilities of economic operators and other stakeholders as users or providers of DPP information
- Key considerations for managing product information in line with upcoming EU regulatory requirements.

10.10 The EU Batteries Regulation in Practice: Embedded Batteries, Industrial Equipment and Emerging Compliance Uncertainty

Andrew O'Neill | Global Regulatory Compliance Specialist, Compliance and Risks

- EU Battery requirements
- Practical compliance, including Commission's proposed additional exemptions for certain product categories
- Compliance determination- battery category, exemptions, labelling, QR-code, spare part/repair requirements
- Upcoming compliance developments.

10.45 Breakout Session (workshop)

Delegates may choose which breakout session they wish to attend

Digital Product Passports: Are You Ready for What's Coming?

Breakout Leads:

Anna Laura Palmarelli | Product Manager

Gabriele Manno | Global Senior AI & Digital Business Innovation Strategy Manager, RINA

Or

How to Keep Pace with Evolving Regulations

Breakout Leads:

Liz Kimber | Principal Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant, RINA

Cathy Phillips | Principal Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant, RINA

11.25 Refreshments

11.55 Breakout session summary

**12.15 Embedding Compliance in New Product Development (NPD):
A Practical Case Study**

[Liz Kimber](#) | Principal Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant, RINA

- Why is it important to build compliance into product development processes?
- What does building compliance into NPD look like?
- Practical steps to identify, translate, and embed legal requirements into product design and decision-making.

12.45 Closing Thoughts

[Emily Tyrwhitt Jones](#) | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance, RINA

12.50 Lunch

WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2026 | AFTERNOON

DAY 1: AFTERNOON

Chair: [Sumithra Appa Rao](#) | Senior Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant, RINA

13.50 The PFAS Puzzle: How Global Regulations are Coming Together (and Apart)

[Cathy Phillips](#) | Principal Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant, RINA

- EU, UK
- US, EPA and US States
- Canada
- Everywhere else
- What's next?

14.20 The Intersection of Obsolescence and Compliance

[Daniel Grundy](#) | Semiconductor Resilience Manager, Jaguar Land Rover (JLR)

- Managing obsolescence: What it is, and why it matters
- How compliance drives obsolescence: Real examples
- Finding in time: The importance of connections across supply chains
- Case study: Supplier design, our problem.

14.55 Breakout Session (workshop)

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PFAS: Solving the Compliance Puzzle

Breakout Leads:

[Cathy Phillips](#) | Principal Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant

[Emily Tyrwhitt Jones](#) | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance

Or

Navigating the Cyber Regulatory Maze

Breakout Leads:

[Ashley Weeks](#) | Senior Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant

[Natalie Armstrong-Green](#) | Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant

15.35 Refreshments

16.05 Breakout session summary

16.15 Cybersecurity and Product Legislation – Managing Risk Across the Product Lifecycle

Ashley Weeks | Senior Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant, RINA

- Why product legislation no longer ends at market placement
- Current product specific cybersecurity legislation – the state of play, with a focus on the EU Cyber Resilience Act and emerging reporting obligations for manufacturers
- Key legislative expectations for manufacturers' risk management, vulnerability handling and process controls
- Recommendations for manufacturers, including Vulnerability Disclosure Policies.

16.45 Day One Closing Thoughts

Cathy Phillips | Principal Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant, RINA

16.45 Close.

WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2026 | EVENING

19.15 Drinks Reception

20.00 Conference Dinner.



THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2026 | MORNING

9.15 Registration and Refreshments

DAY 2: MORNING

Chair: [Emily Tyrwhitt Jones](#) | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance, RINA

9.30 **Welcome and Scene Setting**

[Emily Tyrwhitt Jones](#) | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance, RINA

9.35 **EU Packaging and Packaging Waste Regulation (PPWR): 90 days after “go-live”**

[Sumithra Appa Rao](#) | Senior Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant, RINA

- Update on the August deadline requirements and implementation checklist
- Update on PPWR’s evolution in 2026: European Commission activities including guidance and clarifications, delegated and implementing acts
- Upcoming requirements: recyclability, recycled content, minimisation, and restriction challenges for packaging design.

10.05 **TBC**

[Sarah Smith](#) | Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Office for Product Safety and Standards (OPSS)
TBC

10.40 **Breakout Session (workshop)**

Delegates may choose which breakout session they wish to attend.

Office for Product Safety and Standards Lead Break Out Session

Breakout Leads:

[TBC](#) | TBC

Or

PPWR Unwrapped: Meeting PPWR Requirements in Practice

Breakout Leads:

[Sumithra Appa Rao](#) | Senior Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant

[Antony Lord](#) | Senior Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant

11.20 Refreshments

11.50 Breakout session summary

12.10 **TBC**

[Jason Malcore](#) | Senior Director, Safety & Product Leadership, Association of Equipment Manufacturers
TBC

12.40 Closing Thoughts

Emily Tyrwhitt Jones | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance, RINA

12.45 Lunch

THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2026 | AFTERNOON

DAY 2: AFTERNOON

Chair: Cathy Phillips | Principal Product Regulatory Compliance Consultant RINA

13.45 Scope 3 Emissions and Supply Chain Decarbonisation

Roberta Montesano | Senior Sustainability Consultant, RINA

- Scope 3 emissions requirements
- Measuring and reducing value chain emissions
- Supplier engagement strategies
- Product carbon footprints.

14.15 UK manufacturers' approach to European regulations

Andrew Evans | Technical Director, GAMBICA

- European Product Act – What the updated framework means
- Navigating Cyber-security requirements
- Harmonising standards.

14.45 Refreshments

15.15 RoHS in the Real World: Cutting the Risk Without Cutting Corners

Emily Tyrwhitt Jones | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance, RINA

- Update on EU RoHS exemptions
- UK RoHS synergies and divergence from EU RoHS
- Technical compliance evidence requirements and how to stay up to date with changing requirements.

15.45 Conference Closing Thoughts

Emily Tyrwhitt Jones | Head of Product Regulatory Compliance, RINA

16.00 Close.

Timings and programme are subject to change.

Drinks Reception and Conference Dinner 2026

RINA will be hosting a Drinks Reception and Dinner event on the evening of 4 November, which will take place in the Hilton London Heathrow Airport Concorde Foyer.

Delegates and speakers are invited to attend, offering the perfect opportunity to network in style.

Please note if you wish to attend the Conference Drinks Reception and Dinner, there is an additional fee.

For further information or to book your place, please contact the RINA Conference Team at UKinfo@rina.org or call +44 (0) 1372 367 350.

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