





#### Information for all EPAL National Committees 15 May 2014



#### ...we're ready to go!

- On the 1st June the EPAL Academy will go into operation at its own premises.
- In recent months the seminar rooms have been freshly decorated and aligned with the requirements of a modern information and training centre.
- At the same time, we have worked intensively with our partners on the formulation of a training programme, the essential features of which we would like to present to you in this newsletter.
- All training sessions can also be offered anywhere internationally without extensive additional expenditure.
- Please make a note to keep the date of the (official) Academy opening free and visit us in our seminar rooms:

## 03 July 2014 from 5.00 pm.





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#### **Current seminars**

- Basic EPAL Euro pallet training
- The Euro pallet of the future
- Counterfeits legal questions, technical possibilities
- Pallet exchange in practice
- Euro pallet practical day



#### Basic Euro pallet training

During a single day of training, participants have the possibility of examining numerous important topics across the spectrum of EPAL Euro pallets, their quality features, classification and questions relating to the pallet exchange process. The certificate issued upon completion of the training programme identifies the participant as a "Euro Pallet Expert".



## The Euro pallet of the future

Together with pallet manufacturers, experts from the Fraunhofer Institute and experienced logistics pros from various fields, we discuss the opportunities and limitations of the intelligent pallet.

How does **RFID technology** actually benefit you and your application area?



#### Counterfeits - legal questions, technical possibilities

Despite intensive efforts by EPAL to combat pallet counterfeits for many years, they remain a problem that must be taken seriously. They constitute a significant safety risk, and equally a serious legal risk.

In addition to a legal appraisal by a lawyer with many years of "Euro pallet experience" who has specialised in trademark law, we also present the

"counterfeit-proof Euro pallet" of the future,

which is safeguarded by a uniquely identifiable "light code".



#### Pallet exchange in practice

Within the framework of this training programme we take a targeted look at the opportunities, limitations and challenges of the open exchange pool of Euro pallets. Alongside legal questions, which constantly give rise to discussions and conflicts during pallet exchange in practice, logistics and pallet experts also report on "Best Practice examples".

And there will surely be no shortage of relevant questions too....



#### Euro pallet practical day

Exchange criteria, classification, sorting, repairs, ... of Euro pallets; how can this function in practice without great effort and high costs for the company itself? In addition to the theoretical prelude, formulated in cooperation between GS1-Germany and EPAL, the practical element of the programme encompasses a visit to a licensed manufacturer and repairer of EPAL Euro pallets.





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#### *Competence centre*

The EPAL Academy is based on over 20 years of *experience*, during which EPAL has operated as a quality organisation for Euro pallets.

The lecturers are all *experts with practical experience*, who have worked for many years with Euro pallets and logistical processes, as well as their optimisation.

The EPAL Academy brings together the *competence* of experts from the various fields and consolidates this on a modular basis in the training courses.





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#### Information centre

- We offer all training on an international basis and as in-house solutions anywhere.

- Customised training concepts, which we shall be happy to formulate together with you, will supplement our seminar programme on an ongoing basis.
- We shall be happy to make our premises and the desired service available to you for your event!



Do you have *questions* about Euro pallets? Do you have *suggestions* for the training programme? Do you have *comments* on EPAL or the EPAL Academy?

# Do not hesitate to contact us - we would be delighted to hear them...!

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...until soon.