

# International Cooperation on Cosmetics Regulation (ICCR) Eleventh Annual Meeting Held in Brasília, DF - Brazil from July 12-14, 2017

The International Cooperation on Cosmetics Regulation (ICCR) held its eleventh annual meeting (ICCR-11) from July 12-14, 2017 in Brasília, DF – Brazil. The ICCR is a voluntary international group of cosmetics regulatory authorities from Brazil, Canada, the European Union, Japan, and the United States. This group of regulatory authorities meets on an annual basis to discuss common issues on cosmetics safety and regulation, and to enter into a constructive dialogue with their relevant cosmetics industry trade associations. As stated in the Terms of Reference, the purpose of this multilateral framework is to maintain the highest level of global consumer protection, while minimizing barriers to international trade. In 2017, representatives from Argentina, Chile, Colombia, South Korea, South Africa, and Taiwan participated in the meeting as observers.

As part of this meeting, the regulators entered into a dialogue with cosmetics industry trade associations from each jurisdiction on July 13, 2017.

The President Director of the Brazilian Health Regulatory Agency – Anvisa - Dr. Jarbas Barbosa da Silva Júnior, welcomed the group and made opening remarks.

The Executive President and CEO of the Brazilian Association of the Cosmetic, Toiletry and Fragrance Industry – ABIHPEC - Mr. João Carlos Basilio, made an opening statement on behalf of Brazilian industry.

The following Working Group topics were discussed at the meeting:

- Microbiology Standards
- Integrated Strategies for Safety Assessments of Cosmetic Ingredients
- Cosmetic Product Preservation
- Allergens

Industry presentations on "e-Commerce" and "Cadmium Levels in Cosmetic Finished Products" were made.

An open stakeholder session was held on July 13. A representative from the Brazilian Society of Clinical Research Professionals (Sociedade Brasileira de Profissionais em Pesquisa Clínica - SBPPC) made a presentation regarding products whose claims and uses may not be compatible with cosmetic regulatory frameworks. Representatives from Cruelty Free Brazil and The Humane Society Brazil made presentations regarding animal testing. ICCR is aware of the animal testing concern and has been working on the topic of alternatives to animal testing since ICCR's inception.

The next ICCR meeting will be held in Japan in 2018.

The following are the outcomes of the meeting:

## 1. Microbiology Standards

- ICCR Steering Committee (SC) accepted the following reports and will post to the website:
  - "Review of ISO standards embedded in International Organization for Standardization (ISO) ISO-17516";
  - "Review of ISO Microbiological Standards: Guidelines for Cosmetic Preservation and Product Protection".

## 2. Integrated Strategies for Safety Assessments of Cosmetic Ingredients

- ICCR SC accepted the "Integrated Strategies for Safety Assessments of Cosmetic Ingredients Part I" report and will post to the website.
- ICCR SC agreed that the current working group will continue to work on Part II of the above report.

#### 3. Cosmetic Product Preservation

• ICCR SC agreed that a new working group will continue to work on other product preservation projects.

## 4. Allergens

• ICCR SC agreed that a new working group will continue to work on other allergen projects.

### 5. Standards for Analytical Test Methods

• ICCR SC agreed to create a new Joint Working Group on Standards for Analytical Test Methods.