



International Product Safety Week 2022

EC-UNCTAD workshop

Thursday 17 November – 14:00 – 17:30 CET

14:00 - 15:30

Panel 1: Consumer organisations on the product safety frontline

Consumer organisations have a great multiplier effect when it comes to product safety. They are a bridge between authorities and consumers. Which best practices can they share? What is their experience working with regulators? How do they see the new horizons of product safety?

Speakers:

- **Alma Laurence Contreras Garibay** - Deputy Legal Attorney, Mexican Federal Consumer Protection Agency (Profeco)
- **Shirish Deshpande** - Chairman, Mumbai Grahak Panchayat
- **Sylvia Maurer** - Director, Sustainability and Safety, European Consumer Organisation (BEUC)
- **Willard Mwemba** - Director and Chief Executive Officer, COMESA Competition Commission

16:00 - 17:30

Panel 2: Next generation of product safety ambassadors

2022 being the European Year of Youth and to conclude the week on the new horizons of product safety, we will look at the new generation of product safety ambassadors. What do they see as the most important product safety topics? What is their advice for effective communication towards the younger population on product safety issues? What do they think should be looked at in terms of new horizons?

Speakers:

- **Elizabeth Iberico Robles** - Head of department, ASPEC (social organisation promoting consumer rights in Peru)
- **Nina Križnik**- Zveza Potrošnikov Slovenije (Slovene Consumer Association)
- **Ugochi Obidiegwu**- Social Development Strategist, Founder of The Safety Chic (a child safety social enterprise) and UGIP Foundation (non-profit organization)
- **Akshay Yadav**- Teaching Associate, National Law School of India University