

## EUMEPS elects new Board of Directors and appoints first female President

A diverse and committed team to guide the European EPS industry towards greater sustainability and circularity.

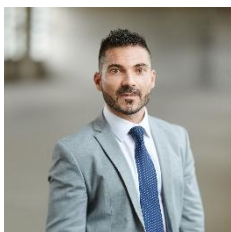
The General Assembly of EUMEPS, the association representing the entire value chain of Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) in Europe, has elected a new Board of Directors for the 2025–2027 term.

The newly appointed President is **Agata Gładysz-Stańczyk (Synthos)** – the first woman to hold this position since the creation of the association. She will work alongside three Vice-Presidents: **Alan Moss (BEWI)**, **Gregor Haverkemper (BASF)** and **Chresten Heide-Anderson (EPSbranchen, Denmark)**.

This year's Board brings together experienced professionals from across Europe and reflects the diverse composition of the EPS value chain – from raw material suppliers and converters to recyclers and national associations. It also sees **three women elected**, including **two new members** – **Agata Gładysz-Stańczyk** and **Graziana Carianni (Versalis)** – and the re-election of **Serena Klein (IVH, Germany)**.



**Agata Gładysz-Stańczyk, newly elected President of EUMEPS, commented:** “It is an honour to take on the role of President of EUMEPS at a time when our industry is playing a pivotal role in Europe’s transition towards a circular economy. At Synthos, we have demonstrated that innovation and sustainability can go hand in hand — developing advanced insulation materials that both improve building performance and reduce environmental impact. I am confident that, by working together through EUMEPS, we can drive the widespread adoption of sustainable EPS solutions, enhancing energy efficiency in renovations and setting a solid foundation for long-term environmental benefits across Europe.”



**Jürgen Lang, Director General of EUMEPS, added:** “The election of the new Board of Directors, under the leadership of Agata Gładysz-Stańczyk, marks a key milestone for EUMEPS. Over the next two years, our focus will be to elevate the profile of EPS in the European sustainability dialogue, highlighting its advantages in energy efficiency, affordability, and recyclability. We remain committed to working closely with EU policymakers, industry stakeholders and civil society to promote high-performance, circular solutions that support climate neutrality and drive the energy transition.

I would also like to express my sincere appreciation to Dr Klaus Ries and the outgoing Board of Directors for their dedication, trust and strategic guidance over the past years. Their leadership has enabled EUMEPS to grow stronger, more visible, and better equipped to represent the EPS value chain at the European level. We now build on this solid foundation with renewed energy and ambition.”



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## Composition of the EUMEPS Board of Directors (2025–2027)

### President

- Agata Gładysz-Stańczyk (Synthos)

### Vice-Presidents

- Alan Moss (BEWI)
- Gregor Haverkemper (BASF)
- Chresten Heide-Anderson (EPSbranchen, Denmark)

### Directors (alphabetical order)

- Graziana Carianni (Versalis) – Recycler category
- Roman Eberstaller (Sunpor)
- Roland Hebbel (Steinbacher Dämmstoff)
- Markus Kraft (Hirsch Porozell)
- Dariusz Łazęcki (Termo Organika)
- Heimo Pascher (Austrotherm)
- Patrick Sutter (Knauf Industries)
- Serena Klein (IVH, Germany)

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### About EUMEPS

**EUMEPS**, the unified European voice of the Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) industry, is the premier advocate for EPS solutions. Representing every link of the EPS value chain, from large companies to SMEs, we are committed to fulfilling European environmental objectives. Through our 23 national associations and numerous recycling initiatives, we strive to elevate the circularity of our industry. As a contributor to making Europe climate-neutral and resource-efficient, we showcase EPS as a smart choice in packaging and insulation. Stand by us in building a more resilient and sustainable tomorrow. [www.eumeps.eu](http://www.eumeps.eu).