

**SAFETY ASSESSMENT OF COSMETICS IN THE EU**  
TRAINING COURSE, 2 - 7 February 2026

**PROGRAMME**

**Monday 2 February 2026**

09.00 - 09.15 **Welcome**  
Prof. Em. Vera Rogiers (VUB, BE)

**Session 1 : Key issues in Regulatory Safety Assessment of cosmetics in the EU**

09.15 - 11.00 **Actual cosmetic legislation in the EU : Regulation EC 1223/2009. Changes to be expected for the near future?**

Dr. Gerald Renner (Cosmetics Europe, BE)

11.00 - 11.15 Questions & Answers

11.15 - 11.30 **Coffee break**

11.30 - 12.20 **Borderline issues in the context of cosmetics.**

Dr. Gerald Renner (Cosmetics Europe, BE)

12.20 - 12.30 Questions & Answers

12.30 - 14.00 **Lunch**

14.00 - 15.00 **Hazard, risk, risk assessment and risk perception: key factors in the safety evaluation of cosmetics.**

Prof. Em. Vera Rogiers (VUB, BE)

15.00 - 15.10 Questions & Answers

15.10 - 15.25 **Coffee break**

15.25 - 16.35 **Exposure to cosmetics and risk assessment calculation (MoS).**

Prof. Em. Vera Rogiers (VUB, BE)

16.35 - 16.45 Questions & Answers

17.00 **Shuttle bus from VUB to the hotel**

**Tuesday 3 February 2026**

**Session 1 : Key issues... (continued)**

09.00 - 10.15 **Risk assessment by TTC application to plant ingredients.**

Prof. Em. Vera Rogiers (VUB, BE)

10.15 - 10.25 Questions & Answers

10.25 - 10.40 **Coffee break**

10.40 - 11.40 **Genotoxicity and mutagenicity testing of cosmetics.**

Dr. Rolf Fautz (KAO Group, DE)

11.40 - 11.50 Questions & Answers

**Session 2 : Local toxicity**

12.05 - 12.55 **Skin irritation: clinical aspects, mechanism, human volunteer studies, investigated cosmetics and ingredients.**

Dr. Martine Grosber (Universitair Ziekenhuis Brussel, BE)

12.55 - 13.05 Questions & Answers

13.05 - 14.20 **Lunch**

14.20 - 15.05 **In vitro evaluation of skin and eye irritation of cosmetic ingredients and products.**

Dr. Nathalie Alépée (l'Oréal, FR)

15.05 - 15.15 Questions & Answers

15.15 - 16.05 **Skin sensitization: clinical aspects, mechanism, human volunteer studies, investigated molecules.**

Prof. Em. An Goossens (KU Leuven, BE)

16.05 - 16.15 Questions & Answers

16.15 - 16.30 **Coffee break**

16.30 - 17.35 **Skin sensitization testing of cosmetic ingredients using 3R methodologies, including photosensitisation.**

Prof. Emanuela Corsini (University of Milan, IT)

17.35 - 17.45 Questions & Answers

18.00 **Shuttle bus from VUB to the hotel**

Wednesday 4 February 2026

### Session 3 : Importance of Modelling in Safety Assessment of Cosmetics and their Ingredients

09.00 - 10.00	<b>PBPK modelling in risk assessment.</b> Prof. Nynke Kramer (University of Wageningen, NL)
10.00 - 10.10	Questions & Answers

### Session 4 : Product Information File

10.10 - 11.10	<b>Practical aspects of making a Product Information File (PIF).</b> Prof. Em. Vera Rogiers (VUB, BE)
11.10 - 11.20	Questions & Answers

10.20 - 10.35 Coffee break

11.35 - 13.05	<b>Some practical examples of risk assessment and PIF application.</b> Prof. Axelle Cooreman (VUB, BE)
13.05 - 13.15	Questions & Answers

13.15 - 14.15 Lunch

14.30	Bus to Brussels Guided visit Get-Together
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Shuttle bus to the hotel

Thursday 5 February 2026

### Session 5 : Selected Topics in Safety Assessment of Cosmetics and their Ingredients

10.00 - 10.50	<b>Risk assessment (and management) of fragrance ingredients – the voluntary approach taken by the fragrance industry.</b> Dr. Matthias Vey (IFRA, BE)
10.50 - 11.00	Questions & Answers

11.00 – 11.50	<b>Safety assessment of nanomaterials in cosmetic products.</b> Dr. Ulrike Bernauer (BfR, DE)
11.50 – 12.00	Questions & Answers

12.00 – 13.30 Lunch

13.30 – 14.30	<b>Overview of validated non-animal New Approach Methodology (NAM) in risk assessment of cosmetic ingredients.</b> Prof. Em. Vera Rogiers (VUB, BE)
14.30 – 14.40	Questions & Answers

### Session 6 : New ways to perform Risk Assessment

14.40 - 15.30	<b>A large introduction on NGRA, tools &amp; questions.</b> Dr. Matthew Dent (Unilever, UK)
15.30 - 15.40	Questions & Answers

15.40 - 15.55 Coffee break

15.55 - 16.25	<b>Example 1: <i>ab initio</i> NGRA of systemic toxicity of HC Yellow 13, 2.5% in a non-oxidative hair dye.</b> Dr. Sara Sepehri (VUB, BE)
16.25 - 16.55	<b>Example 2: <i>ab initio</i> NGRA of systemic toxicity of UV-filter Benzophenone-4, 5% in a sunscreen.</b> Dr. Matthew Dent (Unilever, UK)
16.55 - 17.05	Questions & Answers

17.20 Shuttle bus from VUB to the hotel

Friday 6 February 2026

## Session 5 : Selected Topics in Safety Assessment of Cosmetics and their Ingredients (continued)

09.00 - 10.00	<b>Safety Assessment of cosmetic ingredients by industry without animal testing.</b> Dr. Carsten Goebel (Independent Toxicology Consultant   BBCG Toxicology & Safety Science, DE)
10.00 - 10.10	Questions & Answers

10.10 - 10.25 Coffee break

10.25 - 11.25	<b>Environmental Regulation, Real Impact on industry from supply chain to ingredients.</b> Dr. Andrea Maltagliati (EFFCI, IT)
11.25 - 11.35	Questions & Answers

11.35 - 11.50 Coffee break

11.50 - 12.50	<b><i>In silico</i> modelling and read-across in risk assessment of cosmetic ingredients.</b> Dr. Anne Fuchs (KAO Group, DE)
12.50 - 13.00	Questions & Answers

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 14.50	<b>Packaging under Regulation (EU) N° 1223:2009.</b> Dr. Anne Fuchs (KAO Group, DE)
14.50 - 15.00	Questions & Answers

## Session 4 : PIF of cosmetics (continued)

15.00 - 18.00	<b>Start of the group exercise on Product Information File under the supervision of Prof. Em. Vera Rogiers &amp; Prof. Tamara Vanhaecke &amp; Prof. Axelle Cooreman (VUB, BE).</b>
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18.10 Shuttle bus from VUB to the hotel

Saturday 7 February 2026

## Session 4 : PIF of cosmetics (continued)

09.00 - 11.00	<b>Group exercise on Product Information File under the supervision of Prof. Em. Vera Rogiers &amp; Prof. Tamara Vanhaecke &amp; Prof. Axelle Cooreman (VUB, BE).</b>
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11.00 - 13.00	<b>Group presentation of Product Information File.</b>
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13.00 – 14.00 Lunch

## Exam

14.00 - 15.00	<b>Written exam.</b>
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15.15 Wrap up