

Call for Papers

SafePlastChem

Assessment and Management of Plastic Chemicals towards
a Safe and Sustainable Circular Plastic Economy

January 25-30, 2026, Monte Verità, Switzerland

The SafePlastChem Conference aims to map and assess the current knowledge of plastic chemicals, including their environmental fate, health risks, technological challenges, control measures, and industrial innovation and best practices. The conference seeks to fill a gap in the global dialogue by focusing specifically on plastic chemicals, which have been overlooked in past discussions on plastic pollution. By bringing together scientists from various disciplines—academia, industry, and regulatory sectors—the conference aims to develop a roadmap for managing plastic chemicals in a way that supports a sustainable, circular plastic economy. Topics of interest are:

- Occurrence of chemicals in plastics and their exposure in the environment and humans
- Environmental and health effects of plastic chemicals
- Technological impacts of plastic chemicals
- Risk and sustainability assessment of plastic chemicals
- Industrial innovation on plastic chemicals, including SSbD and best practices
- Policy development related to plastic chemicals
- Science-policy-business dialogue

The deadline for abstract submission (oral or poster) is October 15, 2025.

Specific timeslots will be reserved for Early Career Scientists.



All relevant information about the conference, including how to submit an abstract, can be found on [the conference website](#).

We hope to see many of you on the beautiful Monte Verità in Southern Switzerland!

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