



## From the desk of General Secretary

### WEBINAR ON FUTURE OF BISPHENOLS IN LEATHER INDUSTRY ORGANIZED BY ILTA



The above webinar was organized by the Executive Committee and Seminar Committee of ILTA on 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 07.30 PM on the digital platform of Zoom. **Dr. Olga Ballus, Ph.D., Leather Laboratory – Wet Process, Cromogenia Units, S.A. / Group Units**, delivered a speech on the topic titled *“Future of Bisphenols in Leather Industry – An Overview”* before a well-attended audience. Dr. Ballus was quite categorical in her speech and she held threadbare discussion on this burning issue.

She raised the issue before the audience and informed that “The global leather industry is facing a critical juncture, driven by increasing regulatory scrutiny and heightened consumer awareness regarding the presence of bisphenols in various products. Bisphenols are currently subject to specific restrictions in the leather sector, their detection in chemical formulations used in wet-end processes has prompted a technical and preventive response from the industry.”

She discussed about various detection methods, classifications & effects of Bisphenols in consumer and leather products and

suggested the whole industry to stay united on the issue by following the regulations set by EU & do the needful to save the industry without compromising the quality and performance of products & consumer safety.

The lecture was highly informative and new way forward.

Members, reputed industrialists and scholars & students from different institutes participated in the Q & A session of the webinar.

This was the maiden initiative by the Seminar Committee of ILTA headed by Mr. Satya Narayan Maitra.

The video of the program will be available on the official YouTube Channel of ILTA *“ILTA Online”* and the Facebook page of ILTA within a short while.

### WEBINAR ON CYBER SECURITY ORGANIZED BY ILTA



The above event was organized on 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2025 at 07.00 PM on the digital platform of Zoom.

**Ms. Riveta Das**, a Professional Consultant in Cyber Security, delivered a lecture titled ***“Cyber Security Essentials: Safeguarding Business in the Digital Age”***.

This was an initiative of the HRD Committee of ILTA headed by Mr. Ratan Chowdhury.

The above lecture in an article format is available under the HRD Corner of this issue (Page No. 31 & 32).

## PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION OF ILTA

In the 571<sup>st</sup> Meeting of ILTA Executive Committee held on 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2025, Mr. Asit Baran Kanungo, Vice President & Coordinator, Platinum Jubilee Celebration Committee, briefed that during the 1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of PJC Committee which was held on 17<sup>th</sup> April, 2025, it was unanimously decided that The Mini Auditorium of Science City would be booked for the upcoming 75<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day Celebration on 14<sup>th</sup> August' 2025 from 10.00 am to 6.00 pm on the occasion of the beginning of the Platinum Jubilee Celebration year of ILTA.

It was also decided that both the Regional Committees would also be approached for organizing a seminar on the same day i.e., 14<sup>th</sup> August'2025 on this occasion. It was discussed that as maximum members of the Northern Regional Committee of ILTA are based in Jalandhar, the proposed seminar in Northern Zone should be arranged in Jalandhar first under leadership of Mr. J. P. Saraswat, President, Northern Region – ILTA and his team with the support of Mr. Pulok Mazumder, Vice President, Northern Region - ILTA. Also, another seminar would be organized at Chennai under leadership of Mr. Jagannathan, President, Southern Region – ILTA, Dr. K. J. Sreeram, Director, CSIR - CLRI and Dr. S. Rajamani, Vice President (SR) - ILTA.

Mr. Pradipta Konar, Coordinator, Regional Activities Committee, especially the Northern Regional Committee, as it would be their maiden venture, to organize the proposed events.

## 14<sup>TH</sup> ASIA INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS FOR LEATHER SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (AICLST)

As discussed in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of AICLST Committee held on 28<sup>th</sup> April, 2025 and respectively, 571<sup>st</sup> Executive Committee Meeting of ILTA held on 29<sup>th</sup> April, 2025, the committee unanimously decided the following :

- a. Date of the Event : 6 – 8<sup>th</sup> March'2025
- b. Venue of the Event : Hotel The Stadel, Kolkata
- c. The Registration Fees for the conference added with the earlier decided are as follow :

❖ General Participants (India)	: Rs. 5000/- (INR)
❖ ILTA Members (India)	: Rs. 4000/- (INR)
❖ Leather Students (India)	: Rs. 2000/- (INR)
❖ Overseas Participants (General)	:
(Early Bird Registration)	: \$250/- (USD)
(Late Registration)	: \$300/- (USD)
❖ Overseas Student	: \$100/- (USD)

We are going to finalize the menu & rate with Hotel The Stadel before paying them advance for booking.

- d. **Selection of Theme:** After details discussion it was decided that the theme of the 14<sup>th</sup> AICLST would be :

**“Leather: 2050”**

- e. **Selection of Sessions & Titles:** It was discussed and decided in the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, the following sessions would be held during the conference :

- One Inaugural / Plenary Session
- Six Technical Sessions
- One Valedictory Session

The Technical Sessions would be on the following topics:

- Raw Material availability, quality, quantity etc.
- Process Technology
- Marketing Strategy
- Leather Footwear future & roadmap
- AI and Productivity
- Carbon Capture & Utilization

It was further decided that good and attractive catchlines for all the 6 technical sessions would be prepared as soon as possible by a team from CSIR - CLRI.

- f. **Selection of Sponsors:** After detail discussion it was decided that there would be Three (3) type of Sponsorships :
  - Diamond Level Sponsorship

- Gold Level Sponsorship
- Silver Level Sponsorship

Price / Amount for the sponsorships would be decided in the next meeting.

**g. Advertisements:** Time of starting **Approach** for Advertisement from Industry and **Tariff** of the Advertisements would be discussed and decided in the next meeting of the AICLST Core Committee.

**h. Asking for Abstracts:** After detail discussion it was decided that there would be 3 types of Presentations :

- Oral Presentations
- Poster Presentations
- Inviting Talks

Abstracts for the Oral and Poster Presentations would be started to call from first week of October'2025 till last week of November' 2025.

Selection and finalization of the presentations would be completed by the end of December' 2025 by the Peer Review Committee to be formed in due course.

**i. Selection of the Peer Review Committee:** After discussion it was decided that Dr. K. J. Sreeram would propose few names of technical experts as the members of the Peer Review Committee as soon as possible.

It was also decided that ILTA would send a request to the chair of the Director, CSIR CLRI for the above purpose.

**j. Inclusion of few Additional Members in the Steering Committee:** It was decided that this point would be discussed in the next meeting of the AICLST Core Committee.

### IDENTITY CARD FOR LIFE MEMBERS OF ILTA

The Executive Committee of ILTA has decided to issue a unique Plastic Identity Card to all the Life Member of ILTA against their Membership.

Hence, all the Life Members are advised to send the following information through official Email ID - **admin@iltaonleather.org** and/or WhatsApp No. - **9432553949** to ILTA office as soon as possible.

- 1) Name of the Member (In capital letter)
- 2) Full Residential Address of the Member
- 3) AADHAR No. (Masked) of the Member
- 4) Blood Group of the Member
- 5) A HD quality Photo of the Member
- 6) Mobile No. of the Member
- 7) Email ID of the Member



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General Secretary



## YOUTUBE CHANNEL & FACEBOOK PAGE OF ILTA

An official **YouTube Channel** namely **ILTA Online** and a **Face Book Page** namely **Indian Leather Technologists' Association** has been launched for sharing the activities of our Association since November' 2020 and July' 2021 respectively.

You may find all the Lives / Video recordings of different Seminar, Symposiums & Webinars on both of these social medias along with our website **www.iltaonleather.org** time to time.

You are requested to kindly do **Like & Subscribe** the YouTube Channel and **"Follow"** the FaceBook Page to get regular updates on the activities of our Association.

## PUBLISH YOUR TECHNICAL ARTICLE

Faculties, Research Scholars and students of various Leather Institutes may wish to publish their Research / Project papers in an Article form in this monthly technical journal, JILTA.

We use to offer an honorarium of Rs. 1,000/- for a single issue against any article selected for publication.

Interested author may sent their paper (in MS Word format) along with a PP Photograph and Contact details like Email, Mobile etc. to our email IDs: **admin@iltaonleather.org** / **iltaonleather1950@gmail.com**

## Members are requested to :-

- Kindly inform us your '**E-Mail ID**', '**Mobile No**', '**Land Line No**', through E-Mail ID: **admin@iltaonleather.org** or over Telephone Nos. : **24413429 / 3459**. This will help us to communicate you directly without help of any outsiders like Postal Department / Courier etc.
- Kindly mention your **Membership No.** (If any) against your each and every communication, so that we can locate you easily in our record.

## RECEIVING PRINTED COPY OF JILTA EVERY MONTH

We have started to post Printed copy of JILTA from April' 2022 to members and all concerned as it was before Covid period. Simultaneously we have been sending the e-copy of JILTA through email also to all the concerned receivers.

If you are not receiving JILTA by Post or through email, may please verify your Postal Address and/or Email Id with our office at the earliest.

**General Secretary and the Members of the Executive Committee are available to interact with members at 18.30 hrs, at our Registered Office on every Thursday**