

## FIRST SUSCHEM GREECE BOARD MEETING

12 Oct 2016

The Board of the Greek National Technological Platform for Sustainable Chemistry (SusChem Greece) convened for the first time in the premises of the National Technical University of Athens on 12<sup>th</sup> October. Present were delegates from all Founding Members of the Platform.

The Board declared its support to the aims and objectives of SusChem Greece and their intent to work initially towards defining action areas, which will respond to the needs of sustainable chemistry actors in the Greek economy. The Board expressed their vigorous will to expand the Platform with more supporters of innovation in the wider chemical industry, so that a national strategy for sustainable chemistry may be collectively shaped.

SusChem Greece was founded in June 2016 as a union of physical and legal persons within the frame of the European Platform of SusChem, with the aim of promoting Greek priorities in the European research agenda for sustainable chemistry. SusChem Greece was founded by the National Technical University of Athens, which also operates SusChem Greece's secretariat, the Hellenic Association of Chemical Industries, the Centre for Renewable Energy Sources, the Greek Association of Environmental Protection Companies, the Association of Greek Chemists, the Hellenic Association of Chemical Engineers, the Panhellenic Union of Bioscientists, the Hellenic Coatings Association and the General Consumers' Association of Greece.

SusChem Greece has entered a family of similar National Platforms which now numbers fourteen members.

The European Technological Platform SusChem was founded in 2004 by the European Chemical Industry Council, the German Association for Chemical Technology and Biotechnology, the Union of German Chemists, the Biocatalysis Section of the European Biotechnology Federation and the Royal Chemistry Society. Its main objective is to revitalise and inspire European chemistry and industrial biotechnology research, development and innovation in a sustainable way.

For more information, please visit the SusChem Greece website at <http://ipsen.ntua.gr/suschem-greece/>