Beyond TEDX

Health and Environment Alliance (HEAL)

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About HEAL

>70 organisations in 28 countries

- Doctors associations
- Patient groups
- Nurses associations
- Public health institutes
- Research institutes
- Not-for-profit health insurers
- Women’s groups
- Youth groups
- Environmental groups

Working for better health through a healthier environment
TEDX & HEAL: over a decade of friendship

Carol Kwiatkowski at the HEAL Annual General Assembly in Brussels, 2012
Briefing: HEAL’s vision for a non-toxic environment strategy

• Chemicals that can impact people’s health are ubiquitous and are not regulated enough;
• The European Commission is legally committed to take action and release a non-toxic environment strategy but is not keeping its promises;
• Action is long overdue and possible, as outlined in HEAL’s 12 principles for a truly health protective strategy

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TEDX List of EDCs

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Select "Chemical Name/Number" OR "Filters" below to search, or show all chemicals.

CHEMICAL NAME OR CAS NUMBER
Chlorpyrifos

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Easy to understand & use science based tool and reference for all FAQ - how many EDCs are out there?
‘Science to policy’ approach

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Towards an EDC-free future

THANK YOU TEDX for being a campaign partner!!
Future of EDCs in the EU

- European elections in May 2019
- New European Commission President committed to protect health from EDCs

“For the health of our citizens, our children and grandchildren, Europe needs to move towards a zero-pollution ambition.”

“I will put forward a cross-cutting strategy to protect citizens’ health from environmental degradation and pollution, addressing air and water quality, hazardous chemicals, industrial emissions, pesticides and endocrine disrupters.”

“Europe must lead the transition to a healthy planet”, she writes in her political guidelines and agenda for Europe. “European citizens’ health and the planet’s health go together: it is the quality of the air we breathe, the water we drink, the food we eat and the safety of the products we use.”
Future of EDCs in the EU

• Commitments from Commissioner-designates on EDCs:

"Specifically on endocrine disruptors, of course, it is important to fully implement the new strategy, which would be a serious step forward. Most important, it is based on the precautionary principle. And I think that endocrine disruptors have to be standardised and perceived as the CMR in the same level.

It is important that endocrine disruptors would be prohibited from toys, cosmetics which we apply directly on our skins, food contact materials.

Environment Commissioner-designate, Virginijus Sinkevičius

Some Member States are already drafting action plans on this [endocrine disruptors]. We need to support them and I believe that we are all aware that endocrine disruptors are going to be a very important part of the agenda of the next Commission.

Health Commissioner-designate, Stella Kyriakides"
Thank you, TEDX

Theo Colborn at a HEAL event on endocrine disruptors in Brussels, 2008 & The Male Predicament DVD, 2009
Thank you for your attention!
And do get in touch...

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