



# US Furniture Market Access Workshop

**Date:**

October 17th

**Venue:**

Tillystraße 2, 90431 Nürnberg, Germany  
(Meeting room & Online)

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## Agenda

Time	Title Presentation	Short Explanation	Speaker Details
8:30 – 9:00	<b>Arrival</b>		
9:00 – 9:15	<b>Welcome</b>	Welcome and introduction of participants	Thomas Weigand Managing Director TRLP RFM P.02
9:15 – 10:00	<b>EU versus US requirements</b>	Key distinctions in achieving compliance for the US market: Legal obligations and CPSIA regulations, Case study on liability, Retailer testing protocols, Flammability standards, Electrical safety in furniture.	Stephan Pesch, Intl. Regulatory and Compliance Specialist Senior
10:00 – 10:30	<b>STURDY Act</b>	New mandatory safety standard for clothing storage units Freshly implemented compulsory safety regulation for clothing storage units.	Stephan Pesch, Intl. Regulatory and Compliance Specialist Senior
10:30 – 10:45	<b>Break</b>		
10:45 – 11:30	<b>Chemical Requirements</b>	Legal and state mandates pertaining to chemicals, including compliance with CalProp 65.	Steffen Tuemptner, TCC P.01
11:30 – 12:15	<b>PFAS</b>	National and state regulations pertaining to products within the scope of PFAS.	Steffen Tuemptner, TCC P.01
12:15 – 13:00	<b>Lunchbreak</b>		
13:00 – 14:00	<b>Sustainability</b>	Sustainability trends observed on the US	Luisa Balaban, Sustainability Business Development Manager WEU  Steve Kooy, Technical Director Health and Sustainability, BIFMA

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14:00 – 15:00	<b>Panel Discussion</b> <b>CPSC, ASTM, BIFMA</b>	Overview of the standard rule-making procedures, ongoing initiatives, suggestions, and available resources.	<p>Richard W. O'Brien Director, Office of International Programs U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission</p> <p>Molly Lynyak, MPA Manager, Technical Committee Operations, ASTM</p> <p>Anthony Serge Technical Director, Safety and Performance BIFMA</p>
15:00 – 15:15	<b>Break</b>		
15:15 – 16:00	<b>Law Label</b>	Compulsory labeling prerequisites for upholstered furniture and stuffed articles, alongside mandatory registration requirements.	Deven Wisner, Vice President, Global Registration Services, Inc.
16:00 – 16:45	<b>Lab Tour</b>	Tour of TÜV Rheinland's laboratory Specializing in Furniture, Home and Kitchenware, Electrical Appliances, and Chemicals.	<p>Thomas Weigand, RFM P.02</p> <p>Christian Gicklhorn, RFM P.01</p>