The lowering of the lead parametric value has an impact on the use of lead-containing copper materials

**Summary of the current state of knowledge (April 2022)**

### Today's national regulations
- **Drinking water limit value:** 10 µg/l
- **Natural source contribution (Basic load):** 50%
- **Maximum contribution through materials (test value for positive list):** 50%

**National positive list**

Binding Requirements have been implemented years ago in several member states

### Future European regulation
- **Reducing the limit value by half:** 5 µg/l
- **Natural source contribution (Basic load):** ?%
- **Maximum contribution through materials (not yet determined):** ? µg/l

**European positive list**

Already now it is clear:
The future regulations will have an impact on currently approved materials, as their use will most likely be restricted.

Currently it is still unclear:
When do the new requirements become mandatory? & Which materials can still be used in the future?

Affected companies are urgently recommended to closely monitor further developments in order to be able to react as early as possible to possible changes in the choice of materials for their products.
figawa will keep its members informed and advised in this regard.