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Evonik listed in the Dow Jones Sustainability Indices Europe and World for the third time in a row

Specialty chemicals company Evonik Industries AG has been included in the prestigious Dow Jones Sustainability Indices (DJSI) Europe and DJSI World for the third consecutive time, thereby achieving particularly high results for the reporting on environmental and social topics as well as for Customer Relationship Management.

Thomas Wessel, the member of Evonik’s Executive Board responsible for sustainability: „We are pleased about this recognition of our work which we see as a confirmation for our commitment to sustainability. Evonik claims to make people’s lives more sustainable, healthier and more comfortable. Building a best-in-class specialty chemicals company, it is important to us that economic success as well as ecological and societal responsibility go hand in hand.

Alongside financial criteria, investors increasingly include ecological and social factors in their investment decisions. They are guided by leading sustainability indices such as the DJSI. Every year, around 2,500 companies worldwide are invited to participate. In each sector, the top 10 percent of the evaluated companies are included in the DJSI World and the top 20 percent in the DJSI Europe. The assessment is performed by the Swiss rating agency RobecoSAM.

Evonik has also positioned itself successfully in other leading sustainability ratings and indices such as, for example, FTSE4Good, ISS-oekom, MSCI World ESG and sustainalytics.

Besides driving forward sustainability within the company, Evonik also participates in international initiatives such as the United Nations Global Compact and Responsible Care®. Moreover, with its innovative products and solutions the specialty chemicals company contributes to achieving the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) set by the United Nations.

**About Evonik**

Evonik is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals. The focus on more specialty businesses, customer-orientated innovative prowess and a trustful and performance-oriented corporate culture form the heart of Evonik’s corporate strategy. They are the lever for profitable growth and a sustained increase in the value of the company. Evonik benefits specifically from its customer proximity and leading market positions. Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world with more than 36,000 employees. In fiscal 2017, the enterprise generated sales of €14.4 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of €2.36 billion.

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