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**Gregor Hetzke appointed new head of the Advanced Intermediates Business Unit**

With effect from June 1, 2014, Gregor Hetzke will head up Evonik’s Advanced Intermediates Business Unit. He succeeds Jan Van den Bergh, who had managed the business unit since 2009. Van den Bergh will now coordinate the India, Korea, Japan, Sub-Saharan Africa, and MENA regions.

Gregor Hetzke, who has a degree in engineering, joined the former Degussa AG in 1984 as a process engineer. After holding various management functions in and outside Germany, he managed the former Methacrylates Business Unit from 2003 before taking up his current position as head of the Performance Polymers Business Unit in Darmstadt in 2008.

“The Advanced Intermediates Business Unit offers its customers an exceedingly broad range of products and solutions that help to improve sustainability and quality of living. The unit is highly innovative and is working on ambitious projects,” Gregor Hetzke explained. “I am looking forward to embracing these new challenges and contributing to the further sustainable development of the business unit.”

**The Advanced Intermediates Business Unit**

The activities of the Advanced Intermediates Business Unit are grouped into the Active Oxygens, Agrochemicals & Polymer Additives, Functional Solutions, and Performance Intermediates Business Lines. The business unit is present in 24 sites in Europe, North and South America, South Africa, and Asia and generated sales of over €2.6 billion in 2013 with around 2,400 employees.

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in specialty chemicals. Profitable growth and a sustained increase in the value of the company form the heart of Evonik’s corporate strategy. Its activities focus on the key megatrends health, nutrition, resource efficiency and globalization. Evonik benefits specifically from its innovative prowess and integrated technology platforms.

Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world. In fiscal 2013 more than 33,500 employees generated sales of around €12.9 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €2.0 billion.

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