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**Evonik appoints Executive Vice President**

* Christian Kullmann appointed Executive Vice President and head of the company's new General Secretariat
* Stefan Haver to succeed him as head of Communications/ Board Office

Essen. Klaus Engel, Chairman of the Executive Board of Evonik Industries AG, Essen (Germany), is bundling the Communications/Board Office, Corporate Development, Legal and Compliance/Corporate Governance Divisions under the umbrella of a new General Secretariat.

At its meeting yesterday, Evonik's Supervisory Board appointed Christian Kullmann (43), currently Head of Communications/Board Office, as Executive Vice President of Evonik Industries AG as proposed by the Chairman of the Executive Board. The appointment takes effect on April 1, 2013. "I am delighted that my close and long-standing colleague is taking this step which gives him even greater responsibility. It is an acknowledgement of his consistent and competent action and his loyalty," said Klaus Engel.

Stefan Haver (43), who is currently in charge of Internal Communications/Corporate Media within Communications/Board Office, will succeed Christian Kullmann as Head of Communications/Board Office effective April 1, 2013. The heads of the other corporate divisions that are to be bundled in the General Secretariat will remain unchanged: Dr. Ludger Diestelmeier (Legal), Thomas Hermann (Corporate Development), Jörg Hoffmann (Compliance/Corporate Governance)

**Company information**

Evonik, the creative industrial group from Germany, is one of the world leaders   
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 2012 more than 33,000 employees generated sales of around €13.6 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €2.6 billion.

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