

PRESS STATEMENT



AdvanSix, Archroma and Semperit join the Together for Sustainability Initiative on sustainable chemical supply chains

Brussels (Belgium) – 24 November 2020 – **Together for Sustainability (TfS)** is very pleased to announce that companies **AdvanSix**, **Archroma** and **Semperit AG Holding** have joined the TfS global initiative for sustainable chemical supply chains. The increase of the total TfS membership to 29 multinational chemical companies underlines the growing importance for chemical producers to assess and improve the performance of their procurement operations and supply chains against a set of well defined environmental, social and governance criteria.

TfS President Bertrand Conquéret says *“I am very proud to welcome three new members to the TfS community. In line with TfS’ strategic priority, the growth and the diversity of our membership extends our reach and expands our collective impact on the sustainability performance of chemical supply chains. Given the challenging market environment, increased regulatory pressure and growing societal demand for transparency and accountability, TfS enables chemical companies to become more resilient while ensuring supply security and pro-active management of risk.”*

By providing the necessary infrastructure to conduct assessment and audits, TfS delivers a powerful and independent due diligence procedure in the supply chain. The sharing of the results of TfS Audits and TfS Assessments among all TfS member companies creates efficiencies and leverages synergies between member companies and their suppliers.

“Sustainability and sustainable supply chains represent key platforms through which companies across the chemical industry can collaborate for a safe and successful future. AdvanSix is pleased to join TfS to help support and amplify the importance of a strong, resilient and forward-thinking commitment to the environment and corporate social responsibility,” says **Pamela Schechter, Vice President and Chief Procurement Officer at AdvanSix**. *“We are excited to work in partnership with our suppliers and other stakeholders to address opportunities and challenges as we continue to make products the world values.”*

Andreas Wester, Chief Procurement Officer at Archroma confirms *“As an industry leader, we have the responsibility to do everything we can to reduce our impact on the environment. This is why we are very proud to work with TfS and its members towards fostering sustainable sourcing in our respective supply chains. This in turn allows us to offer safer and more sustainable solutions to our customer for manufacturing daily-use products in areas such as e.g. textile & fashion, packaging & paper, and paint & construction.”*

Christoph Buchta, Chief Procurement Officer of Semperit AG Holding confirms « *Joining Together for Sustainability gives us lots of fresh energy and inspiration and this will help us to reach the next level.* »

About Together for Sustainability

TfS, a global, procurement-driven initiative, delivers a groundbreaking framework with robust tools – TfS Assessments and TfS Audits – to assess and improve the sustainability performance of chemical companies and their suppliers. TfS delivers the de facto global standard for environmental, social and governance performance of the chemical supply chains. The program is based on the UN Global Compact and Responsible Care® principles. TfS is growing into a global organization with regional representation in Asia, North and South America. Operating as a unique member-driven organization, the TfS member companies shape the future of the chemical industry together.

Chemical supply chains for a better world.

Current TfS member companies are ADVANSIX, AKZONOBEL, ARCHROMA, ARKEMA, AZELIS, BASF, BAYER, BOREALIS, BRENNTAG, CLARIANT, CORTEVA, COVESTRO, DSM, EASTMAN, EVONIK, HENKEL, ICL, IFF, KRATON, LANXESS, MERCK, SANOFI, SEMPERIT, SIKA, SOLVAY, SYNGENTA, UPM, WACKER, and WANHUA.

TfS member companies represent a global turnover in the chemical industry of €349 billion and a global spend of €227 billion.

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About AdvanSix

AdvanSix is a leading manufacturer of Nylon 6, a polymer resin which is a synthetic material used by our customers to produce fibers, filaments, engineered plastics and films that, in turn, are used in such end-products as carpets, automotive and electronic components, sports apparel, food packaging and other industrial applications. As a result of our backward integration and the configuration of our manufacturing facilities, we also sell caprolactam, ammonium sulfate fertilizer, acetone and other intermediate chemicals, all of which are produced within unit operations across our integrated manufacturing value chain. AdvanSix operates three manufacturing facilities in the United States and is headquartered in Parsippany, NJ. More information on AdvanSix can be found at <http://www.advansix.com>.

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About Archroma

Archroma is a global specialty chemicals company headquartered in Reinach near Basel, Switzerland. It operates with 3,000 employees located in 35 countries and 26 production sites. Its three businesses – Brand & Performance Textile Specialties, Packaging & Paper Specialties, and Coatings, Adhesives & Sealants – deliver specialized performance and color solutions to meet customers' needs in their local markets, touching and coloring people's lives every day, everywhere. Archroma is passionate about delivering leading and innovative solutions, enhancing people's lives and respecting the planet. The company is committed to the principles of "The Archroma Way to a Sustainable World: Safe, Efficient, Enhanced. It's our nature!"; an approach reflected in its innovations, world-class quality standards, high service levels and cost-efficiency. Products enhanced, colors enhanced, performance enhanced – "Life enhanced".

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About Semperit

The publicly listed company Semperit AG Holding is an internationally-oriented group that develops, produces, and sells in more than 100 countries highly specialised rubber products for the industrial and medical sectors: hydraulic and industrial hoses, conveyor belts, escalator handrails, construction profiles, cable car rings, products for railway superstructures and examination and surgical gloves. The headquarters of this long-standing Austrian company, which was founded in 1824, are located in Vienna. The Semperit Group employs around 7,000 people worldwide, including about 3,800 in Asia and around 900 in Austria (Vienna and production site in Wimpassing, Lower Austria). The Group has 14 manufacturing facilities worldwide and numerous sales offices in Europe, Asia, Australia, and America. In 2019, the group generated revenue of EUR 840.6 million and an adjusted EBITDA (without one-off effects) of EUR 63.8 million.

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