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Chemetall completes expansion of its production site in Langelshiem, Germany

The Surface Treatment global business unit of BASF's Coatings division, operating under the Chemetall brand, has inaugurated a new laboratory and office building in Langelshiem, Germany. This completes the expansion of the production site in Lower Saxony which focuses on the development and production of aerospace technologies. To cover the increasing requirements of the market, the production of Naftoseal[®] aircraft sealants was also expanded.

"We are positioning Chemetall with the capacity expansion for the future. The investment is a major milestone for the long-term success of our company," said Christophe Cazabeau, Senior Vice President of Surface Treatment. "The demand for our aerospace technologies is high and continues to increase. The expansion will allow us to continuously and precisely meet the demands and specific requirements of the global aerospace industry."

Commitment to aerospace customers

Langelshiem is one of the largest and most versatile Chemetall production facilities globally. The project is the brand's largest single investment in the former Hans-Heinrich-Hütte. "This reflects BASF's strategic and long-term commitment to our customers in the aerospace industry and supports our journey towards being a Surface Solutions provider," says Dirk Bremm, President of BASF's Coatings division.

Ulrich Eberhardt, Manager of Chemetall's Langelsheim site, adds: "This expansion renews our commitment to the employees and the Northern Harz region, which will be further strengthened."

The 180 on-site employees support the production of aircraft sealing compounds, anti-corrosive agents, cleaning products and other chemicals for surface treatment. The manufactured and supplied Naftoseal® aircraft sealants are internationally accredited through NADCAP (National Aerospace and Defense Contractors Accreditation Program), the global aerospace industry cooperation program for controlling and reviewing compliance in terms of quality control.

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