

Evonik opens another lab in Guarulhos (SP)

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On November 21st, Evonik, one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals, will officially open its new Development and Application Crosslinkers lab at its distribution center in Guarulhos (SP), Brazil.

The lab will be dedicated to the development of new technologies for curing agents for its customers in Latin America, from Mexico down to Uruguay. Among the services to be provided are individual training sessions for customers and distributors, adaptation of global technologies to local needs, and support in the development of formulations with Evonik's products for flooring, industrial paints, sealants, and composite materials.

"Many manufacturers have application labs in Brazil, but only Evonik can combine the possibility of developing the product the market needs and, at the same time, support the development of the final application of its customers," says Marcelo Rufo, Business Manager Crosslinkers Latin America and South Africa.

Innovations and trends

With roughly 100 sqm, the new lab will have application chemists of Evonik's global team. "These professionals will network with technicians across all continents, so they will always have the latest information in addition to access to trends in curing agent technologies for epoxy resins. This expertise will be available to our customers," adds Mr. Rufo.

Evonik is a world leader in curing agents for epoxy resins. Its product portfolio includes proven brands like Ancamide[®], Ancamine[®], Epodil[®], Anquamine[®], Anquamide[®], Amicure[®], and VESTAMIN[®]. "With the new lab, we will get even closer to the regional market as our clients will have access to local technicians

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with profound knowledge in the application of our products,” states Mr. Rufo.

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 2016, the enterprise generated sales of around €12.7 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €2.165 billion.

About Resource Efficiency

The Resource Efficiency segment is led by Evonik Resource Efficiency GmbH and supplies high performance materials for environmentally friendly as well as energy-efficient systems to the automotive, paints & coatings, adhesives, construction, and many other industries. This segment employed about 9,000 employees, and generated sales of around €4.5 billion in 2016.

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