

## Press Release

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### **Brenntag renews pan-European distribution agreement with Elkem Silicones**

Brenntag, the global market leader in chemical and ingredients distribution, today announces that its pan-European agreement with Elkem Silicones on the distribution of its comprehensive range of silicones products has been extended for a further five years.

The distribution agreement exists since 2014 and includes the sales and marketing of Elkem's Core and Specialty Fluids for various industries such as Cosmetics, Rubber and Polymers, and Coatings and Constructions.

"We are very excited to continue our trustful and successful cooperation with Elkem Silicones being one of the world's leading fully integrated silicone manufacturers and one of our strategic key suppliers in the EMEA region. The past five years have showed Brenntag EMEA is able to offer our customers pan-European solutions benefiting from our European network and technical expertise", says Uwe Schueltke, COO Brenntag Europe, Middle East and Africa.

Frédéric Jacquin, Senior Vice President Elkem Silicones, comments: "We are pleased to announce the formal renewal of our strong partnership with Brenntag. Brenntag consistently delivers the services and flexibility that our customers are ever increasingly expecting."

Bertrand Mollet, Region Director EMEA Elkem Silicones, adds: "Brenntag, the global market leader in chemical and ingredients distribution, is a key sales channel for Elkem Silicones fluid range in Europe. By maintaining this partnership with Brenntag, Elkem Silicones is best positioned to further strengthen our market position in Europe."

#### **About Brenntag:**

Brenntag is the global market leader in chemical and ingredients distribution. We connect our suppliers and customers in value-adding partnerships. Our more than 16,600 employees provide tailor-made application, marketing and supply

chain solutions. Technical and formulation support, market, industry and regulatory expertise as well as advanced digital tools are just some examples of our services that are aiming to create an excellent customer experience. Our full-line portfolio comprises specialty and industrial chemicals and ingredients of a world-class supplier base. Building on its long-standing experience, unmatched global reach and local excellence, Brenntag works closely alongside its partners to make their business more successful. We are committed to contribute towards greater sustainability in our own business and the industries we serve, and to achieve sustainable profitable growth. Headquartered in Essen (Germany) and with regional headquarters in Philadelphia, Houston and Singapore, Brenntag operates a unique global network with more than 580 locations in 76 countries and generated sales of EUR 12.6 billion (USD 14.8 billion) in 2018. Brenntag shares are traded at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (BNR).

**About Elkem Silicones:**

Elkem Silicones has more than 3,100 employees dedicated to providing silicone solutions with a personal touch that deliver your potential. Elkem Silicones, a division of Elkem, is one of the world's leading fully integrated silicone suppliers, operating 9 multi-functional manufacturing sites and 11 R&D centers around the globe. Based in Lyon, France, Elkem Silicones offers a full range of silicone technologies for diverse specialty markets including aerospace, automotive, construction, consumer goods, energy, healthcare, paper, personal care and textiles. [www.silicones.elkem.com](http://www.silicones.elkem.com)

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