

Press Release

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Brenntag SE extends contract with Christian Kohlpaintner ahead of schedule

Christian Kohlpaintner will remain the Chief Executive Officer of Brenntag SE, the global market leader in chemicals and ingredients distribution, until the end of 2025. The Supervisory Board has decided to extend the contract by three years, ahead of schedule, thus setting the course for continuity in the ongoing corporate transformation that has been initiated under the leadership of Christian Kohlpaintner.

Doreen Nowotne, Chairwoman of the Supervisory Board of Brenntag SE: “The Supervisory Board is very pleased to continue the successful cooperation with Christian Kohlpaintner. Over the past two years, he has profoundly changed and repositioned Brenntag SE. He has prudently guided the company through this challenging period and at the same time laid the foundation for further, sustainable growth with Project Brenntag. The transformation he initiated and further developed together with the Board of Management team and the entire organization will leverage the company's great potential and further expand Brenntag's global market leadership in all dimensions.”

Christian Kohlpaintner: “I would like to thank the Supervisory Board for their trust. Brenntag will continue to focus on sustainable organic earnings growth. We are making very good progress with Project Brenntag and have already achieved more than half of the expected effects. The next step will be to now grow faster and stronger in our markets. We have the best foundation for this with our great employees and trusting customer and supplier relationships.”

Christian Kohlpaintner, born in 1963, looks back on an international management career spanning almost 30 years. He was initially appointed Chairman of the Brenntag Board of Management in September 2019, effective January 1, 2020.

About Brenntag:

Brenntag is the global market leader in chemicals and ingredients distribution. The company holds a central role in connecting customers and suppliers of the chemical industry. Headquartered in Essen, Germany, Brenntag has more than 17,000 employees worldwide and operates a network of more than 700 sites in 78 countries. In 2021, Brenntag generated sales of around 14.4 billion EUR. The two global divisions, Brenntag Essentials and Brenntag Specialties, provide a full-line portfolio of industrial and specialty chemicals and ingredients as well as tailor-made application, marketing and supply chain solutions, technical and formulation support, comprehensive regulatory know-how, and digital solutions for a wide range of industries. In the field of sustainability, Brenntag pursues specific goals and is committed to sustainable solutions in its own sector and the industries served. Brenntag shares have been listed at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange since 2010, initially in the MDAX and since September 2021 in the DAX. In addition, the Brenntag SE shares are listed in the DAX 50 ESG and DAX ESG Target. For more information, visit www.brenntag.com.

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