

## Press Release

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### **Brenntag Specialties expands strategic partnership with Royal Avebe in Benelux**

Brenntag, the global market leader in chemicals and ingredients distribution, today announced the expansion of the partnership with Coöperatie Koninklijke Avebe U.A. (“Royal Avebe”). The expanded distribution agreement now offers Royal Avebe potato starch and protein products to Brenntag customers in Belgium, Luxembourg, and the Netherlands in addition to the initial region of Turkey.

Royal Avebe is an international farmer cooperative producing potato starch and potato protein. Product applications include food, animal nutrition and the construction industry. Brenntag initially announced the partnership with Avebe in June of 2023.

Michael Friede, Chief Executive Officer Brenntag Specialties, comments: “I am excited to see this expansion of our Life Science offering come to fruition. Growing our partnership with Avebe is an important step in our ‘Strategy to Win’ - offering our Nutrition customers in more and more regions access to an innovative product portfolio from excellent, high-quality supply partners.”

Chris Hollebek, Chief Commercial Officer at Royal Avebe, added: “Brenntag has proven to be a reliable partner with global distribution reach, and we are happy to expand our partnership into Benelux, in order to ‘Accelerate and Strengthen’ our offering of products and services to even more customers locally.”

#### **About Royal Avebe:**

Royal Avebe is a cooperative of 2,300 arable farmers in the Netherlands and Germany. Each year, the starch potatoes of those members are processed into high-grade ingredients based on potato starch and protein; they add value to food products but also to industrial applications worldwide.

More information about Avebe can be obtained at: [www.avebe.com](http://www.avebe.com)

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### 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 17,500 employees worldwide and operates a network of about 600 sites in 72 countries. In 2022, Brenntag generated sales of around 19.4 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, in the DAX since September 2021. In addition, the Brenntag SE shares are listed in the DAX 50 ESG and DAX ESG Target. For more information, visit [www.brenntag.com](http://www.brenntag.com).

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