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ALTANA Division ACTEGA Inaugurates New Integrated Site in Brazil

- **Investment: around €2 million**
- **Administration, production and R&D on 12,000 square meters**
- **Commissioning of ultra-modern 500 square meter laboratory**

Wesel (Germany) / Araçariçuama (Brazil), January 28, 2020 – ACTEGA do Brazil, a company of the specialty chemicals group ALTANA, has inaugurated a new integrated site in the city of Araçariçuama in the Brazilian state of São Paulo, in which around €2 million have been invested. In a first step, the specialist for packaging solutions is merging the administration, production and R&D activities from two old Brazilian sites in Guarulhos and Barueri into the new site in Araçariçuama.



The new integrated ACTEGA site in Araçariçuama

"South America is a very high-growth region for the packaging sector. With our investment in the new Brazilian site in the heart of the South American continent, we want to further promote and expand ACTEGA's development for the benefit of our employees and customers", says ACTEGA Division President Thorsten Kröller.

In a further step, ACTEGA's third Brazilian location in Santana de Parnaíba will also be transferred to the new integrated location by 2021 in order to be able to manage business in the South American market from a central location in the future in an even more targeted and customer-focused manner.

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In the medium term, the new location will thus combine the technology and application know-how of 180 employees from 21 departments on a total area of 12,000 square meters. A new state of the art 500 square meter research laboratory is also integrated, so that research, development and production can go hand in hand on site.

With the investment in the new integrated site, ACTEGA intends to further establish itself as a technology pioneer in the South American market. To this end, the new location has explicitly invested in new high-performance dispersion units for printing ink production and corresponding equipment for the production of water-based and UV coatings.

About ACTEGA:

ACTEGA is a division of the international specialty chemicals group ALTANA and develops and produces coatings and sealants, printing inks and adhesives for flexible and rigid packaging and for the graphic arts industry. These products do not only lend an attractive appearance to materials such as paper, paperboard, plastic and metal, but also provide clearly defined technical properties, e.g. chemical and physical resistance to the materials' surface.

The main customers for the products ACTEGA develops, manufactures and markets are in the packaging industry.

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About ALTANA:

ALTANA is a global leader in true specialty chemicals. The Group offers innovative, environmentally compatible solutions for coating manufacturers, paint and plastics processors, the printing and packaging industries, the cosmetics sector and the electrical and electronics industry. The product range includes additives, special coatings and adhesives, effect pigments, sealants and compounds, impregnating resins and varnishes, and testing and measuring instruments. ALTANA's four divisions, BYK, ECKART, ELANTAS, and ACTEGA, all occupy a leading position in their target markets with respect to quality, product solution expertise, innovation and service.

Headquartered in Wesel, Germany, the ALTANA Group has 47 production facilities and 60 service and research laboratories worldwide. Throughout the Group about 6,400 people work to ensure the worldwide success of ALTANA. In 2018, ALTANA achieved sales of €2.3 billion. About 7 percent of sales are invested in research and development every year. Its high earning power and high growth rate make ALTANA one of the most innovative, fastest growing, and profitable chemical companies in the world.

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