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**Comfort & Insulation opens Technical Service Center in Singapore**

Evonik’s Comfort & Insulation Business Line inaugurated a new Technical Service Center in Singapore, the business line’s fifth operating laboratory to date and the second in Asia. Catering for the region, the new facility will also host a Know-How and Training Center.

“Opening this Technical Service Center represents a milestone in our regional strategy of becoming preferred cooperation partner by ensuring a greater coverage of our trustworthy partnership and technical expertise on the Asian market”, explained Dr. Tammo Boinowitz, Senior Vice President & General Manager of Comfort & Insulation.   
  
“With the official opening of the Technical Service Center, Comfort & Insulation opens a new chapter of our polyurethane business in this region. This center enables us to expand our competitive edge as well as acquire a more sustainable market share and profitable business via our value selling approach,” said Kim Leng Goh, regional business manager of Comfort & Insulation, completing the explanation of the investment.

The new lab will strengthen the Comfort & Insulation business in this growth region by offering consultative support and reinforcing close customer relations. To increase the response time, understanding of regional needs, and local trouble-shooting of technical problems, Singapore has been chosen as the regional hub. In addition, Singapore offers access to a highly educated work force in the region and is in ideal proximity to customers’ facilities.

Beside the new Technical Service Center in Singapore, which supports application development, Comfort & Insulation has been successfully producing polyurethane additives (PU) for over 10 years at the Shanghai-Xinzhuang Site in China. This underlines the philosophy of continued innovation and improvement that the business line espouses for its future global polyurethane additive business.

Evonik’s Business Line Comfort & Insulation, as part of the Business Unit Consumer Specialties, has been a leading supplier in the polyurethane flexible and rigid foam industry for more than 50 years.

**Please find further information on our Comfort & Insulation website: http://www.evonik.com/polyurethane-additives**

**Company information**

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Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world. In fiscal 2012 more than 33,000 employees generated sales of around €13.6 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €2.6 billion.

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