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### **LANXESS decides to increase its share capital by 10 percent**

**Cologne** - The Board of Management of LANXESS AG has decided today, with approval from the Supervisory Board, to utilize the existing authorized capital in part and to increase the share capital of the company by 10 percent, excluding the subscription rights of the shareholders. The increase of the share capital by a nominal amount of EUR 8,320,266.00 is against the issuance of 8,320,266 new, no par-value bearer shares in the company, which carry full dividend rights for the business year 2013.

The new shares will be offered to institutional investors by means of a private placement, using an accelerated bookbuilding process. The placement price and the proceeds from the issue will be made public once the price has been fixed.

This corporate action should help finance upcoming restructuring measures and generally strengthen the financial position of the company as well as its investment grade credit ratings.

LANXESS achieved an EBITDA pre-exceptionals of EUR 205 million in the first quarter of 2014, which was within the previously communicated guidance of roughly EUR 200 million.

Cologne, May 07, 2014

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