

LANXESS wants to increase number of women in management

Proportion of women in management positions to rise to 30 percent by 2030

Cologne, December 20, 2021 – LANXESS wants to further promote gender diversity: By 2030, the specialty chemicals company aims to increase the proportion of women in management positions worldwide to 30 percent. At the end of 2020, around 23 percent of these positions were held by women.

"To move LANXESS forward, we need the best talents. We also know from our own experience that diverse teams come to better decisions and drive innovation. Bringing more women into management positions is therefore a decisive factor for the further successful development of our company," said Matthias Zachert, Chairman of the Board of Management of LANXESS AG.

Tailored offers to promote women

All LANXESS executives are obliged to pursue this new goal. To promote the professional and personal development of women, LANXESS supports young executives with individual mentoring and coaching offers. In addition, the specialty chemicals company is setting concrete targets for staffing its global talent programs: At least 30 percent of participants are to be female. In recruiting, LANXESS works with events tailored specifically to women. In addition, development and training opportunities are designed to be attractive to women. The company is also continuously expanding its offerings for balancing work and family life. For example, by the end of 2022, offers for flexible working - in terms of time and place - are to be available in 95 percent of the countries in which LANXESS operates.

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Commitment to equality

In February 2021, LANXESS joined the Women's Empowerment Principles initiative of UN Women and UN Global Compact. This underlines the company's commitment to promoting business practices that empower women. These include equal pay for work of equal value, gender-sensitive policies for the advancement of women, and zero tolerance for sexual harassment in the workplace.

Group financing also reflects the company's commitment to increasing the proportion of women. Since the end of 2019, the interest rate of LANXESS' main revolving credit facility has been linked, among other things, to how successfully the company increases the proportion of women on the top three management levels.

LANXESS reports comprehensive key figures on diversity management here: <u>https://lanxess.com/en/Investors/ESG</u>

LANXESS is a leading specialty chemicals company with sales of EUR 6.1 billion in 2020. The company currently has about 14,900 employees in 33 countries. The core business of LANXESS is the development, manufacturing and marketing of chemical intermediates, additives, specialty chemicals and plastics. LANXESS is listed in the leading sustainability indices Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI World and Europe) and FTSE4Good.

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