

## New Halāl Certificate for 112 cosmetic ingredients of Evonik

As of October 12, 2015, 83 oleochemical and 29 silicone based products of Evonik in Essen and Duisburg are complying with the Halāl requirements in accordance with the Islamic Law. The Ḥalāl Certificate is also accepted by JAKIM Malaysia, MUI Indonesia, MUIS Singapore, CICOT & HIT Thailand and other reputable Halāl authorities.

"With this certification we have achieved an important step to significantly expand our business opportunities for oleochemicals and for the first time of silicone based ingredients for personal care in the important globally emerging markets like Asia, the Middle East and the Maghreb region", says Dr. Tammo Boinowitz, Senior Vice President & General Manager of the Personal Care Business Line.

The segment Nutrition & Care in Essen is entitled to use the Ḥalāl Certificate for the products manufactured there: Silicone derivatives, Cocamidopropyl Betaines, a multitude of Esters (Sorbitan Esters, Glyceryl– and Polyglycerylesters, Glycolesters, Sucrose Esters,) and Fatty Acid and Alcohol Ethoxylates. In Duisburg the Ḥalāl Certificate covers various Esters (Glyceryl– and Polyglycerylesters, Sucrose Esters,) and Zinc Ricinoleates. Those products are used as surfactants, emulsifiers, thickeners and conditioners in Personal Care formulations.

This group of products does not contain any additives, which could be qualified as impure (najis) according to Islamic law, are not produced from any impurity (najasa) and do not come into contact with any impurity during the production process. Muslim experts have evaluated this based on the existing list of additives and additional detailed documents as well as the visits of the plants in Essen and Duisburg in August 2015. It is valid for one year (until October 12, 2016) and will be renewed year after year.

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In addition the production site in Jakarta, Indonesia, is producing products with a Halāl certificate. "We are currently investigating if the certification of other sites in Asia and Europe is worthy of consideration", says Dr. Christian Nöthe, Head of Global Product Stewardship/QM Personal Care.

## **About Nutrition & Care**

The Nutrition & Care segment is led by Evonik Nutrition & Care GmbH and contributes to fulfilling basic human needs. That includes applications for everyday consumer goods as well as animal nutrition and health care. This segment employed about 7,000 employees, and generated sales of around €4.2 billion in 2014.

## **About Evonik**

Evonik, the creative industrial group from Germany, is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals, operating in the Nutrition & Care, Resource Efficiency and Performance Materials segments. The company benefits from its innovative prowess and integrated technology platforms. In 2014 more than 33,000 employees generated sales of around €12.9 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €1.9 billion.

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