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German Chemical Parks and Sites – Together at ACHEMA 2009

For the second time leading German chemical parks and sites will jointly showcase their work at an ACHEMA exhibition. Under the theme "Make it in Germany: Your Prime Chemical Location in Europe" they will be presenting from May 11-15 at ACHEMA 2009 in **Hall 9.2, Stand B35-E36**.

Joint exhibitors are the German Association of Chemical Parks and Sites in the German Chemical Industry Association (VCI), Germany Trade and Invest (the foreign trade and inward investment agency of the Federal Republic of Germany) as well as the regional initiatives CeChemNet (Central Germany), ChemCoast (Northern Germany), ChemCologne (Rhineland) and ChemSite (Ruhr Region). Further partners in this joint exhibition include BASF SE Ludwigshafen, CHEMPARK Leverkusen, Dormagen and Krefeld-Uerdingen, Chemiepark Knapsack and Industriepark Gersthofen.

Dr. Dieter Juszak, chairman of the German Association of Chemical Parks and Sites: "Especially in difficult economic times it is more important than ever to plan ahead. For this reason, we want to highlight the advantages of Germany as a chemical industry location at ACHEMA 2009. With its globally unique concept of chemical parks and sites, Germany offers ideal conditions for both well-established and young companies. These parks and sites facilitate access to a comprehensive research network and to attractive locations with world-class infrastructure." Michael Pfeiffer, chief executive of Germany Trade and Invest, explains: "As a location for industry-related research and development, as an economic location, and as the largest market in Europe, Germany sets the international standard for the chemical sector. This is a place where investors rely on strength and continuity. Germany Trade and Invest cooperates closely with partners in chemistry, in order to inform foreign investors about the many ways to share in the success of the chemical parks and sites concept."

The German Association of Chemical Parks and Sites in VCI is committed to sustainably competitive and attractive production locations in Germany, which are engaged in global competition. Through its contacts with politicians and the general public, the Association advocates the interests of chemical parks and sites

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operators in a focused manner. Furthermore, the German Association of Chemical Parks and Sites promotes investment on behalf of its membership.

Germany Trade and Invest is the new foreign trade and inward investment promotion agency of the Federal Republic of Germany. Formed following the merger of the German Office for Foreign Trade and Invest in Germany GmbH, Germany Trade and Invest officially came into being on January 1, 2009. Germany Trade and Invest's mission is to promote Germany as a location for industrial and technological investments and to identify investors for the German market. The organization advises and supports foreign companies seeking to expand into the German market and assists German companies looking to enter foreign markets.

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