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BASF starts new production site in Singapore to supply innovative crop protection solutions

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BASF inaugurated a new regional production site for its Agricultural Solutions business. The â?¬40 million multipurpose facility has been designed to initially handle six different formulation technologies and will enable BASF to supply crop protection products to farmers across Asia Pacific from a strategic location in the region. The site has initial production capacity of 7,000 kl per year â?? enough to supply over 20 million hectares of farmland â?? and employs a staff of over 30 technicians and professionals. The site represents an important investment by BASF in Singapore, which now has four production facilities in the republic.

BASF has recently launched several new innovations in the Asia Pacific targeted at helping farmers of key crops â?? including rice and fruits & vegetables â?? combat pests and boost yields in a more sustainable manner. These include crop protection products based on the companyâ??s new active ingredients InscalisÂ®, and RevysolÂ® â?? patented innovations that help farmers control insects and diseases in crops. Products featuring these two active ingredients â?? as well as several soon-to-be-launched products from the companyâ??s innovation pipeline â?? will be produced at the new site.

From BASF, the site was inaugurated by Simone Barg, Senior Vice President of Agricultural Solutions Asia Pacific and Dr. Carola Richter, President Asia Pacific (excl. China). They were joined by Ow Kai Onn, Vice President & Head of Chemicals & Materials from the Singapore Economic Development Board (EDB) and Loh Yew Pong, Deputy Director Energy & Chemicals Cluster, Jurong Town Corporation (JTC).

Speaking at the inauguration, Kai Onn shared how EDB and other Singapore government agencies are working together with companies like BASF to foster the growth of the agricultural sector for the benefit of both Singapore and the entire region.

â??EDB is delighted to be at the inauguration of BASFâ??s new Agricultural Solutions regional production site. Through job roles such as process technicians, engineers, production planners and quality assurance chemists, this facility gives Singaporeans and residents opportunities to participate in the global agri-food value chain and contribute to safe, nutritious and affordable crops in our region.

This facility was constructed under a challenging environment in the midst of a global pandemic. Its successful unveiling today reflects Singaporeâ??s commitment to being a stable investment destination, a reliable manufacturing hub for specialty chemicals and a strategic location for companies to build a more responsive and resilient supply chain for their customers in Asia.â?•