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dsm-firmenich inaugurates two production plants in France to increase its production capacity for perfumery ingredients in Europe

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Today, dsm-firmenich inaugurates two cutting-edge production plants in Castets, southwestern France, for the production of perfumery ingredients. The first facility is a multipurpose unit for the production of pine-based ingredients, and the second brand-new plant is dedicated to the production of the iconic biodegradable musk Habanolide®. These strategic expansions address the fast-growing demand for sustainable products and provide an enhanced service to perfumery customers in Europe.

“We are very proud of these state-of-the-art facilities,” says **Emmanuel Butstraen, President Perfumery & Beauty at dsm-firmenich**. “In addition to helping us provide extra production capacity for perfumery in Europe, these expansion projects further strengthen our strategic position and allow us to seize growth opportunities that lie ahead. These two additional plants also make a significant contribution to our Sustainability ambitions by lowering the carbon footprint of our logistics operations in the region, while helping our customers deliver on their own sustainability goals by reducing their scope 3 emissions.”

The new multipurpose facility is an additional production unit designed to secure the supply of a variety of finished products and intermediates for the perfume markets. It increases the production capacity for renewable ingredients on the site.

“This major expansion is a demonstration of our continuous efforts to extend our unique industrial expertise in producing ingredients made from upcycled materials,” says **Amaury Roquette, Head of Ingredients, Perfumery & Beauty at dsm-firmenich**. “It strengthens dsm-firmenich’s global leadership in bio-sourced ingredients coming from pine.”

The new Habanolide® facility significantly boosts the production capacity of this renowned perfume ingredient. Known for being an elegant macrocyclic musk with a warm and slightly woody note, Habanolide® is ranked among dsm-firmenich’s best-selling ingredients.

“Habanolide® is one of our customers’ favorite ingredients, because not only is it powerful and high performing, it is also biodegradable, which are key differentiating factors for the perfumery market,” adds **Roquette**. “With this plant, that comes in addition to our production line in New Jersey, US, we are reinforcing our global position as the House of Musk.”



Both facilities are equipped with the most advanced technologies in the industry to ensure the highest safety standards, operational stability, energy efficiency and quality. More than 25 local companies took part in the construction of the two sites.

The bio-sourced ingredients plant received a €2.8 million subsidy from the Nouvelle-Aquitaine region to boost companies' industrial performance and energy efficiency. The Habanolide® expansion project has benefited from a €1.0 million grant, as part of the national recovery plan implemented by the French government and the Nouvelle Aquitaine region, to accelerate industrial investments in France.

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