

**PRESS RELEASE**  
**ISCC PLUS CERTIFICATION**

## Kao Chemicals Europe achieves ISCC PLUS Certification at Germany facility, enhancing commitment to sustainability

**Kao Chemicals Europe has obtained ISCC PLUS certification at its Germany facility, Kao Chemicals GmbH. This certification supports the use of more sustainable raw materials—including biological, circular, and renewable energy sources—positively impacting key product lines like EMAL, AKYPO, and AMIDET. With a focus on reducing emissions and addressing climate change, Kao is committed to expanding its portfolio of sustainable, low-impact products.**

Barcelona, [12/11/2024] — Kao Chemicals Europe is pleased to announce that our German facility, Kao Chemicals GmbH, has achieved certification from the International Sustainability & Carbon Certification (ISCC). This ISCC PLUS certification sets a standard in sustainability by enabling Kao Chemicals Europe to incorporate more renewable raw materials into its production processes, enhancing the environmental profile of its surfactants and related products.

The ISCC PLUS certification provides a framework for the chemical industry to verify the sourcing of more sustainable raw materials. This can include materials that are biological, circular, or produced with renewable energy. With this achievement, Kao Chemicals Europe can introduce a higher percentage of sustainably sourced raw materials on a mass-balance basis, in conjunction with RSPO-certified inputs. This enables Kao to supply its clients with products containing elevated levels of renewable carbon, supporting the production of green additives, such as Metalworking Fluids, and green raw materials for use in cosmetics, laundry, and cleaning products.

### Certified sustainable solutions for EMAL, AKYPO, and AMIDET

This certification positively affects the key product lines EMAL, AKYPO and AMIDET manufactured at KAO Chemicals GmbH site. By incorporating certified sustainable materials, Kao Chemicals Europe demonstrates an ongoing dedication to decarbonizing its production processes and supplying eco-friendly ingredients to a variety of industries.

The ISCC PLUS certification not only positions Kao Chemicals Europe at the front line in sustainable surfactant production but also empowers its clients to fulfill their own sustainability goals. By offering products with higher renewable content, Kao enables clients to use “drop-in” green solutions as direct replacements for conventional materials, helping them develop more sustainable formulations without compromising on quality or performance.

## **Kao Chemicals Europe, S.L.U.**

Kao Chemicals Europe is committed to supporting our clients in meeting their sustainability targets by providing products that align with their green goals. While Kao Chemicals Europe may not directly use the final products, we're focused on positioning our clients to successfully homologate and incorporate more sustainable raw materials into their own offerings. With the increasing focus on climate change and its impacts on weather patterns and local ecosystems, Kao is working to reduce our emissions footprint in manufacturing and products.

For further details on Kao Chemicals Europe's ISCC PLUS certification and its sustainable product offerings, please visit our website or contact our team for more information.

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