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**Meraxis Strengthens Its Management Team**

**Muri b. Bern/Switzerland, October 1, 2024 – The global polymer distributor Meraxis is reinforcing its management team: Olga Baburina is assuming leadership of Global Sales and Dr. Mattis Gosmann is taking over as head of the Standard & Performance Polymers Division at Meraxis. These two management additions are strengthening the company’s global polymer purchasing and sales operations to support continued growth. Meraxis is one of the world's leading plastics distributors. The full-service provider's one-stop shop supports customers in the strategic procurement of polymers and polymer-related products.**

"Over the last five years, Meraxis has transformed in line with market and customer requirements, also in terms of the team set-up," says Meraxis CEO Dr. StefanGirschik. "Accordingly, we are building and expanding our strong, experienced management team. Thanks to our team, we can further advance our positioning as a reliable and innovative one-stop shop."

Olga Baburina took over as head of Global Sales at Meraxis in September. The industrial engineer brings over 20 years of industry experience in leading management positions to the role. She most recently worked as head of sales at the German plastics distributor Biesterfeld Plastic. Before that, she was in charge of the global distribution portfolio at Albis Plastic. "We see enormous market potential, particularly in the realm of digitalization and sustainability – both for existing customers and new target groups alike," says Olga Baburina. "I am very excited about tapping into this potential in a dynamic company such as Meraxis."

On October 1, 2024, Dr. Mattis Gosmann is taking over the strategic and operational responsibility for the Standard & Performance Polymers Division as well as for the Polyolefins business unit. Gosmann holds a doctorate in macromolecular chemistry and has held various management roles in his career spanning more than 20 years. He was most recently employed by the global supplier of chemical auxiliaries Zschimmer & Schwarz, where he was Global Business Division Director for Textile and Fiber Auxiliaries. In his new position, he will be instrumental in aligning Meraxis’ global supplier footprint and product management with market developments. At the same time, he will assume management of the Polyolefins purchasing team. "My goal is to cultivate sustainable supplier relationships based on mutual trust and cooperation so that we can offer our customers a comprehensive product range at attractive prices," says Dr. Mattis Gosmann.

Both new team members will report directly to Emmanuel Tarret, Chief Operating Officer of Meraxis.Meraxis CEO Girschik emphasizes: "We are very pleased that Olga and Mattis, two outstanding executives with relevant industry experience, have joined our team. We now have an exceptional management team to further establish our one-stop shop in the market, particularly in the area of technical polymers." The Meraxis one-stop shop offers plastics processors a comprehensive product and service portfolio that includes plastics (virgin materials, recyclates, and biopolymers) as well as tools, machines, trade parts and digital services.

**About the Meraxis Group**

With over 2 billion euros in sales, Meraxis is one of the world's leading plastics distributors. Headquartered in Muri near Bern (Switzerland), the group has approximately 30 offices worldwide. As a full-service provider, the Meraxis Group supports the strategic procurement of polymers and polymer-related products and services: The one-stop shop offers plastics processors standard polymers (e.g. PE, PP, PET, PVC), technical polymers, masterbatches, recyclates, and biopolymers. Meraxis also procures on behalf of its customers investment goods such as injection molding machines, tools, or appliances for upstream and downstream production processes.

Meraxis collaborates with a global network of established suppliers and partners. The company has extensive experience in the development and processing of high-quality polymers as well as in the management of complex logistics operations. To add further value, Meraxis offers comprehensive consulting services, such as how to select and procure sustainable materials and switch to recyclates. Lastly, Meraxis develops digital solutions to promote a circular economy and transparency in the value chain. For example, a CO2-footprint tool facilitates the selection of the lowest-emission material.

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