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Curriculum Vitae

Anup Kothari

Anup Kothari was born in 1968 in Kota, India. He earned a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from the Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee, India, and a master's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Kentucky, USA. He also holds an MBA from the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, USA.

Anup Kothari joined BASF in 1999 in North America. His journey in BASF took him to various international assignments in Germany and China. He had different business roles in Care Chemicals, Catalysts, and took over as President of the Performance Chemicals division in 2017. From 2021, he led the Nutrition & Health division. Anup Kothari was appointed to the Board of Executive Directors of BASF SE in 2024. He is Chairman of BASF Corporation in the United States, a role he assumed in 2025.

He is responsible for the divisions Battery Materials; Dispersions & Resins; Environmental Catalyst and Metal Solutions as well as Performance Chemicals.

When asked about the key elements of his career and BASF's success, Anup Kothari answers: "Collaboration. There is so much talent and expertise within BASF. Our culture of collaboration brings together this knowledge of products, applications, market trends and customer needs to create innovative products that add value for our customers and society. That's what makes the job interesting."

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