

News Release



Fire at the North Harbor in Ludwigshafen: Employee of BASF fire department dies due to injuries

This morning, October 29, 2016, an employee of the BASF fire department who was severely injured during the explosion that occurred at the North Harbor in Ludwigshafen on October 17, 2016, has died.

“I am deeply saddened that another employee has passed away due to this tragic accident. Everyone at BASF is in mourning. Our thoughts are with the deceased colleagues, their families and friends,” says Kurt Bock, Chairman of the Board of Executive Directors.

All BASF employees in Ludwigshafen will hold a minute of silence next Wednesday, November 2, at 12:00 noon to express their sadness and remember the victims.

On Monday, October 17, at 11:30 a.m. there was an explosion at BASF at the North Harbor in Ludwigshafen during work on a pipeline, which resulted in fires. Three employees of the BASF fire department and a sailor of a tanker that was moored at the harbor died. Seven people were seriously injured, 22 others received light injuries. The course of events is still being investigated by the public prosecutor’s office of Frankenthal.

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