



## Sustainability News

Dear readers,

Climate protection needs tangible measurements – and the time for action is now. Technologies that help tackle the challenge of climate change are now more relevant than ever and are strongly requested by societies and governments. BASF is willing to take the lead with its “Carbon Management” research program: “We are talking about fundamentally new technologies that have the potential to revolutionize chemicals production in terms of climate protection,” explains Martin Brudermüller, Chairman of the Board of Executive Directors and Chief Technology Officer of BASF SE in a current interview about the program. “BASF has its sights on being a pioneer in the sector when it comes to climate protection and that is exactly what our Carbon Management program aims at.”

This issue of Sustainability News focuses on BASF’s efforts and projects for climate protection and sustainability. Learn more about our contribution to the production of climate-friendly methanol and our engagement for sustainable castor bean farming. Also enjoy our article about a Starting Ventures project for promoting recycling culture in West Bengal, India.

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### Climate protection: Interview with Martin Brudermüller

BASF has set new climate protection objectives as part of its corporate strategy and announced a “Carbon Management” research program in January.

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## **BASF develops process for climate-friendly methanol**

The production of the most important basic chemicals is responsible for around 70 percent of greenhouse gases in the chemical industry. BASF is working on new technologies to substantially reduce emissions.

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## **Starting Ventures project ecovio® plus promotes recycling culture in India**

The pilot project aims to demonstrate the value of the certified compostable plastic ecovio® for a more sustainable farming, ecology and society in West Bengal.

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## **BASF at Sustainable Brands Detroit**

Detroit was the home of Sustainable Brands' global flagship conference from June 3 through June 6, 2019. BASF was the presenting sponsor and took part in workshops and discussions.

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## **World's first sustainable castor bean program Pragati moves to the next level**

The companies Arkema, BASF, Jayant Agro-Organics and Solidaridad have empowered more than 2,700 Indian farmers in their journey to sustainable castor bean production.

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## Talk Sustainability in Ludwigshafen with Lars Maehl from Vattenfall

On June 14, 2019, guest speaker Lars Maehl discussed the topic of a sustainable energy supply in Europe with BASF employees within the event series “Talk Sustainability – Nachhaltigkeit im Dialog”.

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## Current Press Releases

**June 18, 2019**

[Greentown Labs and BASF jointly launch the Greentown Labs Circularity Challenge to advance innovation for a circular economy](#)

**June 18, 2019**

[BASF and Lutianhua plan to pilot a new production process that significantly reduces CO<sub>2</sub> emissions](#)

**June 17, 2019**

[BASF recognized for its contribution to sustainable development](#)

## Events with BASF Presence

**June 24–26, 2019**

Sustainability Week 2019, Pretoria, South Africa

**July 5–12, 2019**

IUPAC 2019, Paris, France

**September 1–4, 2019**

9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Life Cycle Management, Poznan, Poland

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