



## Sustainability News

Dear readers,

Saving resources and reducing waste in the environment are drivers of the transformation from a linear to a circular economy. CE approaches promote the reuse of materials and thereby enable a more future-oriented handling of our planet's precious resources. To cope with the structural disruption, however, stakeholders from economy, society and actors across all value chains need to work closely together. In this process, solutions of the chemical industry can point the way towards a sustainable future. "The transition from a linear to a more circular economy will bring significant changes to business models and value drivers across many industries," says Talke Schaffranek, Director Applied Sustainability at BASF, who manages the implementation of circular economy strategy in the company. "Chemistry will be an enabler to close loops in value chains."

This issue of Sustainability News highlights BASF's projects that contribute to circular economy. Read about the mass balance workshop at BASF in Ludwigshafen on September 23 at which over 90 international experts discussed topics around recycling and circularity. Further, learn about how BASF co-operates with partners to develop a recycling process for lithium-ion batteries and how BASF Gastronomy reduces food waste by recycling.

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### Experts discuss mass balance at BASF in Ludwigshafen

Over 90 international experts on recycling and standardization representing industry, NGOs, certification bodies and government came together at BASF in Ludwigshafen for a workshop on the mass balance approach.

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## Fostering climate protection in company catering: BASF joins international „Cool Food Pledge“ initiative

BASF SE is the first company in Germany to join the international “Cool Food Pledge” initiative. BASF is thus committed to reducing the greenhouse gas emissions of its company catering services at the Ludwigshafen site by 25% by 2030.

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## Eramet, BASF and SUEZ partner to develop recycling process for lithium-ion batteries

The objective is to develop an innovative closed-loop process to recycle lithium-ion batteries from electric vehicles and to enable the production of new lithium-ion batteries in Europe.

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## Starting Ventures project #Hapi supports small-scale farmers in Egypt

The project aims at adapting precision farming technology in form of an early disease warning system (EDWS) to help small-scale farmers increase tomato farming productivity with real-time, tailor-made recommendations.

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## Project for responsible artisanal cobalt mining in Kolwezi, DR Congo

BMW Group, BASF SE, Samsung SDI and Samsung Electronics kicked off the project “Cobalt for Development” to promote responsible artisanal cobalt mining in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

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## BASF publishes 3<sup>rd</sup> Palm Progress Report

The report states the dilemma in oil palm plantation development and features the company's palm commitment, palm sourcing policy and its approach to include smallholder farmers.

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## Free sustainability training online

BASF has contributed to an online training on sustainability by the think tank Conference Board. Interested? We invite you to enroll in the course. BASF's head of Sustainability Strategy, Christoph Jäkel, hosts one unit about "Managing total impact" with the Value-to-Society approach.

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## Current Press Releases

**September 10, 2019**

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[Novel process developed to recover high value products from natural gas](#)

**August 13, 2019**

[BASF light stabilizers increase lifespan of floating solar panel systems](#)

## Events with BASF Presence

**September 26, 2019**

Kick-off Event of the Cluster Living, Adaptive and Energy-autonomous Materials Systems, Freiburg, Germany

**October 10, 2019**

Global Goals Forum, Berlin, Germany

**October 23, 2019**

EVONIK-Perspektiven 2019, Berlin, Germany

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