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Global commitment to the containment of the pandemic

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Covestro provides aid in Coronavirus crisis

- **In-kind and money donations in many countries**
- **Focusing on the health and safety of the workforce**

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Covestro is strengthening its commitment to containing the global coronavirus pandemic with in-kind and money donations. Thus, Covestro provides raw materials for the production of products such as medical devices, safety goggles for medical staff and hospital mattresses. These are supplied to health and care facilities in the vicinity of the plants in numerous countries. For the company, the focus is on providing fast and uncomplicated assistance in partnership-based cooperations.

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“The Coronavirus crisis affects us all and can only be overcome with solidarity. We are currently experiencing cohesion and commitment in our company to a very special degree”, explained Covestro CEO Dr. Markus Steilemann. “We want to convey this attitude to the outside world and contribute our know-how and the energy of our employees worldwide in the fight against the pandemic. At the same time, we will continue to do everything in our power to preserve the safety and health of our workforce”.

Since the beginning of the crisis, Covestro has been continuously monitoring the development of the situation and attaches the highest priority to protecting its employees and their families worldwide. In addition, the company has implemented a number of direct measures in recent weeks to provide local support to health and care facilities. With the outbreak of the coronavirus in China, employees have already supported rush orders of medical equipment manufacturers by supplying raw materials for the production of diagnostic and respiratory equipment, protective devices and test strips for disease control and



other emergency aid. Further measures followed worldwide, including in-kind and money donations as well as strategic partnerships with customers. Below are just a few of the ways that Covestro is helping to fight the pandemic:

Brazil

- Donations in cooperation with aid organization to supply people in need

Mainland China

- Donation of protective eyewear, thermometers and pillows to public health facilities in Hubei and other parts of China
- Employee donations campaign for frontline medical teams

Germany

- Donations of medical supplies to health care facilities
- Donation of material for the production of protective eyewear for University Hospital of Erlangen
- Donation of face masks to the city of Leverkusen

Italy

- Employee donations campaign
- Donation to hospital in Bergamo

Spain

- Donations to several hospitals to purchase urgently needed equipment
- Donation of material for the production of hospital mattresses

Taiwan

- Donation of protective eyewear to public health facilities

USA

- Donations of hand sanitizer and face masks to local responders and public service organizations
- Employee donations campaign for a national nonprofit and support for employees who want to personally contribute to relief efforts

In order to continue to relieve the burden on medical facilities and other affected areas and thus support the massive efforts to contain the coronavirus, Covestro is also providing its existing know-how and innovative materials, for instance for the use of 3D printing technology. This also includes freely accessible software for 3D printing of mask holders, which improves the wearability of medical safety masks. In the USA, there is also an ongoing collaboration with 3D printing companies and a research institute exploring 3D printing of ventilator components, using Covestro materials and technical expertise.



An up-to-date overview of measures and initiatives taken by Covestro for the direct containment of the coronavirus can be found on our website:

<https://www.covestro.com/en/media/social-media-corona>

The company continues to actively explore opportunities for how it can best contribute to response and recovery efforts around the world and in the markets it serves.

About Covestro:

With 2019 sales of EUR 12.4 billion, Covestro is among the world's largest polymer companies. Business activities are focused on the manufacture of high-tech polymer materials and the development of innovative solutions for products used in many areas of daily life. The main segments served are the automotive, construction, wood processing and furniture, and electrical and electronics industries. Other sectors include sports and leisure, cosmetics, health and the chemical industry itself. Covestro has 30 production sites worldwide and employs approximately 17,200 people (calculated as full-time equivalents) at the end of 2019.

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