

## **News Release**

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BASF invests in new mobile emissions catalysts production facility in Shanghai to meet customer demand in China

- Enhanced production capabilities at new 30,000-square-meter facility
- Advanced technologies help customers meet higher governmental emissions control standards

Shanghai, China, December 20, 2018 – BASF is investing in a new production facility for mobile emissions catalysts at its Pudong site in Shanghai, China. The new 30,000-square-meter facility will house multiple manufacturing lines, providing a full range of emissions control technologies for heavy-duty and light-duty vehicle manufacturers. Construction is underway, with start-up planned for the end of 2019.

The plant will manufacture innovative catalysts for gasoline and diesel vehicles in the growing Chinese market. The catalysts will help automotive customers meet more stringent emission control requirements ahead of China Stage 6 implementation in 2020.

"BASF is committed to supporting customers in China with state-of-the-art environmental catalysts solutions," said Dr. Stephan Kothrade, President Functions Asia Pacific, President and Chairman Greater China, BASF. "We want to greatly contribute to China's three-year plan to protect blue skies, with advanced mobile emissions catalysts that meet the strictest environmental regulation requirements in China."

"BASF continues to support strong business growth in China through production

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capacity and innovation capabilities to meet local customer needs," said Dr. Dirk Demuth, Senior Vice President, Mobile Emissions Catalysts, BASF. "Our new facility in China will enable BASF to support our customers in this growing market. The new facility offers flexibility for future expansion and upgrades to adapt to market requirements in the years ahead."

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