

# Media Release

## **Clariant Catalysts expands in the Middle East with new office in Saudi Arabia**

- **New branch of Clariant's Catalysts business unit strategically located in Jubail, KSA**
- **Fourth location of Clariant Catalysts in the Middle East**
- **Company aims to enhance collaboration, support and services for petrochemical and refinery customers in KSA and the region**

Munich, August 7, 2019 – Clariant announced today that the company's Catalysts business inaugurated a new services and support office in Jubail, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Located in the eastern coast of the country, Jubail is the world's largest industrial city and an important site for the petrochemicals market.

Clariant's new office is thus ideally positioned to serve regional customers with its advanced catalysts for petrochemical and refinery applications, as well as offer dedicated assistance and technical services. The new branch is Clariant Catalysts' fourth office in the Middle East and will play a key role in the company's plan to strengthen its presence and partnerships in the region. The local team will be actively supported by Clariant experts from around the world.

Stefan Heuser, Senior Vice President & General Manager Business Unit Catalysts at Clariant, commented, "We are extremely pleased to forge closer ties with valued customers in the Middle East. The expansion demonstrates our commitment to the region, and will allow us to showcase our state-of-the-art catalysts, which are designed to deliver excellent performance, and enable highly economical and sustainable production of numerous petrochemicals."

Clariant's portfolio for refinery applications includes catalysts for extremely efficient fuel upgrading and purification, as well as for removing sulfur, chlorine, arsenic and mercury. The company's solutions for the petrochemicals industry comprise high-performance catalysts for producing main petrochemical building blocks, such as ethylene, propylene, butadiene and styrene, in addition to a complete range of catalysts for producing various grades of polypropylene.



Clariant Catalysts' locations worldwide. (Photo: Clariant)

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Clariant is a focused and innovative specialty chemical company, based in Muttenz near Basel/Switzerland. On 31 December 2018 the company employed a total workforce of 17 901. In the financial year 2018, Clariant recorded sales of CHF 6.623 billion for its continuing businesses. The company reports in four business areas: Care Chemicals, Catalysis, Natural Resources, and Plastics & Coatings. Clariant's corporate strategy is based on five pillars: focus on innovation and R&D, add value with sustainability, reposition portfolio, intensify growth, and increase profitability.

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Clariant's Catalysts business unit is a leading global developer and producer of catalysts for industrial processes. It has been part of the Catalysis business area of the Clariant Group since the acquisition of Süd-Chemie in 2011. Clariant Catalysts is headquartered in Munich, Germany, and has a total of 16 production sites (incl Joint Ventures), 7 sales offices, and 11 R&D and technical centers around the world. Approximately 2 061 employees serve customers across all regional markets. Aimed at delivering sustainable value to customers, Clariant's catalysts and adsorbents are designed to increase production throughput, lower energy consumption, and reduce hazardous emissions from industrial processes. The broad portfolio also includes products that enable the use of alternative feedstock for chemical and fuel production.