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Outlook 2020

At its meeting today, the Management Board of Henkel AG & Co. KGaA approved the planning as well as the outlook for fiscal 2020, which is below the current market expectations for 2020.

For the business units Beauty Care and Laundry & Home Care, the company expects good organic sales growth, while growth in the Adhesive Technologies business unit will presumably be impacted by the uncertainty in industrial demand. Overall, Henkel expects on Group level organic sales growth of 0 to 2 percent. For the current fiscal year 2019, Henkel from today's perspective expects the organic sales development to be approximately stable.

In view of an uncertain industrial environment and investments in marketing and advertising as well as digitalization and IT expected to increase versus 2019 in order to sustainably strengthen the business in the long-term, Henkel expects earnings to be negatively impacted in the fiscal year 2020.

The adjusted EBIT margin for 2020 is expected to reach around 15 percent compared to an expected EBIT margin of around 16.2 percent in 2019.

From today's perspective, Henkel expects adjusted earnings per preferred share (EPS) in 2020 to decrease by a mid to high single-digit percentage at constant exchange rates compared to an expected figure of around 5.45 euros in fiscal 2019.

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Further information regarding financial instruments issued by Henkel

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