

Press Release

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LIGNA 2023: Henkel invites guests and partners to "Get Inspired"

Henkel presents future-ready, sustainable solutions for the furniture industry at LIGNA 2023

Düsseldorf/Hanover – Henkel, a leading adhesive manufacturer and innovation driver, will showcase its products for the furniture industry at Hall 17, Booth D45 during LIGNA 2023. The world's leading trade fair for woodworking and wood processing plants, machinery, and tools, LIGNA 2023 will take place from May 15 to 19 in Hanover, Germany. With the theme "Get Inspired", Henkel aims to excite customers and partners through a comprehensive portfolio of innovative and sustainable adhesives, processes, and digital tools. Visitors are invited to explore Henkel's "Customer Experience Area" to interact, discover and discuss the latest product solutions and experience Henkel's digital service offerings.

"We are excited to welcome our customers and partners at LIGNA 2023 and inspire them with our innovations for the furniture industry. Henkel stands for superior performance and service offering and we continue to support our customers in improving their processes in terms of cost-performance. Going beyond performance, we have strengthened our sustainable adhesives portfolio and digital services offering significantly to ensure our customers stay ahead of the curve." says Kathrin Hein, Global Director of Furniture and Building Components at Henkel.

Get inspired by innovation

At LIGNA, Henkel will showcase its expertise in ensuring occupational safety with PUR Micro Emission hotmelts and demonstrate the new generation of high-performing hotmelt adhesives. Henkel's sales and application experts will be available at the booth to discuss and explain these innovations.



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New standards for occupational safety with Micro Emission

With PUR Micro Emission hotmelts, Henkel will be demonstrating its expertise and know-how gained over many years of leadership in this field. For two decades, Henkel has been offering PUR Micro Emission hotmelts guaranteed to contain less than 0.1 percent diisocyanate. With this pioneering work Henkel has been helping its customers to optimally prepare for stricter occupational safety standards and to meet upcoming regulatory requirements such as REACH Annex XVII. Henkel's sales and application technology experts will be available to show the next generation of PUR ME products.

Striving for peak performance

Henkel's new generation of thermoplastic hotmelt adhesives offers maximum performance including exceptional heat resistance. In addition, Henkel demonstrates its dedication to material efficiency and improved sustainability by ensuring that these adhesives require significantly lower application weight. Customers and partners are invited to discover innovative, resource-saving applications for edge banding, profile wrapping and lamination. Additionally, Henkel provides its customers with cleaning solutions tailored to their specific needs. Visitors can find out more about this holistic service at the booth.

Get inspired by sustainability

Sustainability and circularity are becoming core topics in the furniture industry. For improving the CO₂ footprint of adhesive products, one effective approach is to formulate adhesives using bio-based or mass balance certified raw materials. To date, more than 30 Henkel adhesives sites worldwide are ISCC+ certified., which is an important prerequisite. To ensure supply of sustainable raw materials, Henkel is fostering close collaboration along the value chain.

At LIGNA, Henkel will showcase the latest innovation and developments including the new biobased PUR Micro Emission hotmelt. Furthermore, visitors can experience an interactive feature - a CO₂ calculator. Henkel experts will use it to analyze the customer's carbon footprint and reveal potential opportunities to reduce their carbon emissions.

"Going beyond top performance, Henkel's product solutions always offer additional added value and service for the customer. We pay special attention to sustainable processes, such as the efficient use of raw materials and energy. Therefore, we continuously reduce the carbon footprint both in the formulation of our products and when our customers use them in their production," explains Moritz Ultsch, Head of Market Strategy for Furniture & Building Components at Henkel.

Get inspired by digitalization: experiencing transformation in the manufacturing process In addition to manufacturing high-quality adhesives, Henkel also supports its customers in achieving the best results through services and application know-how. With its unique-in-theindustry Inspiration Center in Düsseldorf (ICD), Henkel is driving innovation and digital transformation for its customers. Henkel has been investing for its customers to create a place that offers new dimensions of collaboration and digital innovation. An environment that fosters joint problem-solving and co-creation. Visitors to LIGNA will be offered opportunities to visit this innovation hub of over 47,000 square meters.

The Technology Center for furniture and building components is part of the ICD. It is designed to simulate state-of-the-art application processes used within the industry. In this laboratory, Henkel helps its' customers to identify optimal process parameters and the right adhesive technologies for their needs. In collaboration with machine manufacturers and partners, Henkel offers digital process optimization tools that deliver excellent results quickly.

One example for innovative digital tools is the *3D Edge Scanner*, presented for the first time at the trade show. It analyzes the application pattern of the adhesive and provides guidance for adjustment within the recommended range of application weight – for an optimized and reliable result. Visitors to the trade show can learn more about the new digital solution and try it out live at the Henkel booth.

About Henkel

With its brands, innovations and technologies, Henkel holds leading market positions worldwide in the industrial and consumer businesses. The business unit Adhesive Technologies is the global leader in the market of adhesives, sealants and functional coatings. With Consumer Brands, the company holds leading positions especially in hair care and laundry & home care in many markets and categories around the world. The company's three strongest brands are Loctite, Persil and Schwarzkopf. In fiscal 2022, Henkel reported sales of more than 22 billion euros and adjusted operating profit of around 2.3 billion euros. Henkel's preferred shares are listed in the German stock index DAX. Sustainability has a long tradition at Henkel, and the company has a clear sustainability strategy with concrete targets. Henkel was founded in 1876 and today employs a diverse team of more than 50,000 people worldwide – united by a strong corporate culture, shared values and a common purpose: "Pioneers at heart for the good of generations." More information at <u>www.henkel.com</u>

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