

## Press Release

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Recognizing new solutions for sustainable development

### **Henkel Consumer Brands honors suppliers for outstanding contributions**

Orlando, Florida/USA - Henkel's business unit Henkel Consumer Brands recognized its top suppliers for their industry-leading performance in 2025 with an award ceremony. The event took place at the American Cleaning Institute Convention in Orlando, Florida, on 2 February with around 300 participants. The top partners were awarded in three categories: Nouryon was honored with the "Sustainability Award". The winner of the "Supply Resilience Award" was Kapachim. ADM, BASF and Inolex received each a "Best Innovation Contributor Award".

Frank Meyer, Head of R&D Henkel Consumer Brands, Philipp Schaffer, Head of Henkel Consumer Brands North America, and Sebastian Schauten, Head of Procurement Henkel Consumer Brands, welcomed representatives of more than 30 major Henkel suppliers to the awards and highlighted the growth plans of Henkel and the essential role of suppliers for that on Innovation, Sustainability and Resilience.

#### **Nouryon received the "Sustainability Award 2025"**

Agnès Thée, Head of Sustainability at Henkel Consumer Brands, highlighted Henkel's strong sustainability ambitions and the importance of supplier collaboration to achieve a 30% scope 3 reduction by 2030 and Net Zero by 2045. She handed over the "Sustainability Award" to Nouryon for its innovative degradable material that optimizes water hardness in laundry detergents, combining high performance with sustainability for consumers.

#### **ADM, BASF and Inolex are awarded as "Best Innovation Contributors 2025"**

The strategic relevance of innovation for Henkel's growth was emphasized at the award ceremony by Thorsten Bastigkeit, Head of Research and Open Innovation at Henkel Consumer Brands: "Innovation is essential to drive consumer delight by providing our consumers and hair salons with high performing and sustainable care products." He then awarded ADM, BASF, and Inolex as "Best Innovation Contributors 2025."

ADM received the prize for an innovative sustainable thickener for fabric finishers, improving softness and fragrance. BASF was honored for a new surfactant system for automatic dishwashers, delivering superior rinsing, enhanced shine, and faster drying. Inolex won in for a unique conditioning system that creates a luxurious feel and provides deep hair moisturization.

### **Kapachim wins the “Supply Resilience Award 2025”**

Kapachim was awarded the “Supply Resilience Award” for ensuring uninterrupted supply at Henkel plants through proactive management and operational excellence.

Kemal Kavasoglu, Global Head of Raw Materials Procurement for Henkel Consumer Brands, summarized 2025 as a year marked by rising trade tensions, geopolitical uncertainty, market volatility, and adjustments to global production and supply. Despite these dynamics, he highlighted that Henkel remained resilient and adaptable and extended its thanks to partners for their continued support and collaboration in 2025.

### **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 for adhesives, sealants and coatings. With Consumer Brands, the company holds leading positions especially in laundry & home care and hair in many markets and categories around the world. The company's three strongest brands are Loctite, Persil and Schwarzkopf. In fiscal 2024, Henkel reported sales of more than 21.6 billion euros and adjusted operating profit of around 3.1 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 specific targets. Henkel was founded in 1876 and today employs a diverse team of about 47,000 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 [www.henkel.com](https://www.henkel.com)

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