



## Press Release

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Collaboration drives sustainable raw material sourcing for high-performance industrial adhesives

### **Henkel and Sekab are shaping the future with bio-based raw materials**

Düsseldorf – Henkel Adhesive Technologies has entered into a strategic collaboration with Swedish chemical company Sekab to accelerate the transition from fossil-based to bio-based raw materials in adhesive production. The partnership focuses on replacing conventional ethyl acetate with a sustainable, bio-based alternative, supporting Henkel's ambition to lead with innovation and sustainability in advanced industrial adhesive solutions.

This initiative is a key step in enabling Henkel to strengthen its pioneering position by combining sustainability with a future-ready value proposition for customers. By integrating renewable raw materials into product formulations as a drop-in solution, Henkel is helping customers to achieve their climate goals, on top of reducing its own environmental footprint.

"We are proud to collaborate with Sekab on this important journey towards more sustainable raw materials," says Elodie Picard, Head of Sustainability for the Packaging division at Henkel Adhesive Technologies. "This partnership reflects our commitment to innovation with impact – delivering high-performance solutions that offer benefits for our customers and for the environment."

Adam Lindholm, Head of Sales and Business Development at Sekab added: "Our collaboration with Henkel demonstrates how fossil-free, bio-based chemicals can be integrated into existing value chains without compromising performance. This accelerates the transition towards a fossil-independent chemical industry. By working together along the value chain, we can bring scalable, sustainable raw materials to market and create tangible climate benefits."

The collaboration with Sekab represents a key pillar of Henkel's corporate sustainability strategy, which includes advancing circular solutions, reducing carbon emissions, and enabling customers to meet their own sustainability targets through cutting-edge adhesive technologies.

The announcement is part of a broader series of sustainability activations from Henkel and its partners to highlight innovation and collaboration in climate leadership strategies across regions.

#### **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](http://www.henkel.com)

#### **About Sekab**

Sekab is a Swedish chemical company specializing in fossil-free, bio-based chemicals for industrial applications. Using bio-based ethanol as its main raw material, Sekab produces products such as ethyl acetate, acetaldehyde and acetic acid for customers across a wide range of industries, including packaging, coatings, pharmaceuticals and cosmetics. With production facilities in Örnsköldsvik, Sweden, Sekab works in close collaboration with customers and partners to support the transition towards a fossil-free chemical industry. More information at <https://www.sekab.com>

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