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Award for outstanding sustainability reporting under CSRD / ESRS

Henkel receives “Building Public Trust Award”

Düsseldorf – Henkel has received the “Building Public Trust Award” from the Sustainable Finance Research Group in the *DAX 40* category. The award recognizes companies for credible and consistent sustainability reporting. The award ceremony took place in Frankfurt am Main on November 12, 2026.

For the “Building Public Trust Award,” an independent expert jury chaired by Prof. Dr. Alexander Bassen assesses the sustainability reporting of publicly listed German companies. This year’s analysis covered the annual and sustainability reports of 89 companies listed in the DAX 40, MDAX and SDAX that, in the context of the Corporate Sustainability Reporting Directive (CSRD), report fully in accordance with the European Sustainability Reporting Standards (ESRS) and have their reports externally assured. The assessment focuses on double materiality as well as the credibility, consistency and completeness of the information provided.

The jury particularly highlighted the structured link between the materiality assessment and the corresponding management approaches in Henkel’s sustainability reporting. This is demonstrated, for example, in the climate chapter, where identified impacts, risks and opportunities are directly linked to the corresponding policies, actions and targets. Another strength identified by the jury was the detailed climate transition plan, including specific emission reduction targets for scope 1, scope 2 and scope 3 emissions.

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 2025, Henkel reported sales of about 20.5 billion euros and adjusted operating

profit of around 3.0 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 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 www.henkel.com

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