Sustainability at Mitsubishi Chemical – reaching carbon neutrality and the implementation of a Circular Economy

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Process4 Sustainability

Cluster for climate-neutral process industries in Hesse



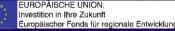




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Company Overview – Mitsubishi Chemical Corporation





*as of the end of March. 2021 (FY 2020)

We are a global company –



with RHQ in 5 regions



Our locations in Europe







Cassel (GB) Darwen (GB) Hull (GB)

Mitsubishi Chemical UK

Manama (BH) Newton Aycliffe (GB) Wilton (GB)

Lucite International **Holland BV** Rozenburg (NL)

Mitsubishi Chemical **Advanced Materials**

Almelo (NL) Appenzell (CH) Chemnitz (DE) DagneuxCedex (FR) Heinsberg (DE) Lenzburg (CH) Lotte (DE) Milan (IT) Nitra (SK) Sieroslaw (PL) Sinsheim (DE)

Szigetszentmiklos (HU) Todmorden (GB) Vreden (DE) Wischhafen (DE)

 MEP Europe Mitsubishi Engineering Plastics is a joint venture in Japan between Mitsubishi Gas Chemical (50%) and Mitsubishi Chemical (50%) Düsseldorf (DE) Geleen (NL)

Tielt (BE)

Zürich (CH)

Mitsubishi Chemical

Europe Asperg (DE) Düsseldorf (DE) Frankfurt (DE)

BU Polymers

Clerval (FR) Hasselt (BE) Helmond (NL) Sochaczew (PL) Tiffauges (FR)

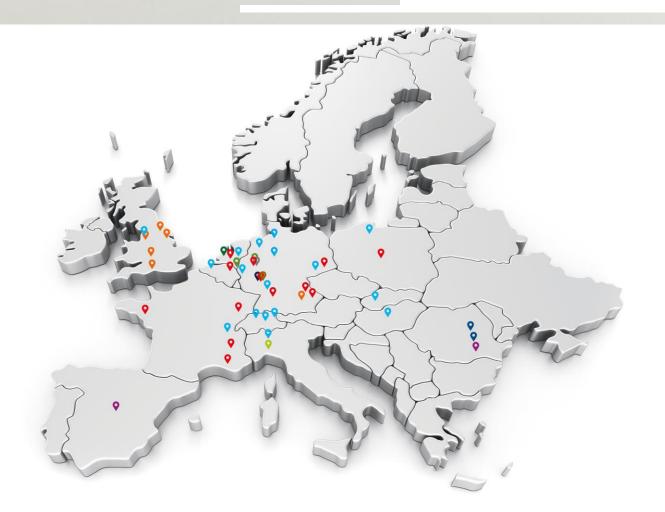
BU Semiconductor

solutions Moritzburg (DE) Rousset (FR) Grenoble (FR)

BU Carbon Fiber Hengersberg (DE) Pleinting (DE)

Mitsubishi **Polyester Film** Wiesbaden (DE)

- Qualicaps Bucharest (RO) Madrid (ES)
- Resindion Binasco (IT)
- YUPO Düsseldorf (DE)
- Livecam Logistics Frankfurt (DE)
- Technophar Cornu (RO) Oderheiu (RO)



Mitsubishi Chemical businesses in Europe





Business Units

Advanced Solutions

- Semiconductor Solution
- Battery Materials
- Healthcare Solutions
- Aluminium composite panels
- Performance Separation Solution
- Trade Sales and Service

Business Units

- Polymers
- Acetyl Polymers Polycarbonate (MEP -JV)
- Specialty Polymers & Resins
- Trade Sales and Service

Business Units

- Carbon Fiber
- Trade Sales and Service

Business Units

Methacrylates

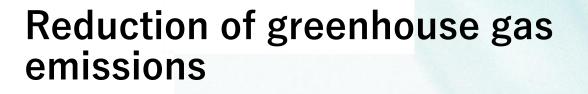


Our global commitments to reach the Paris Climate Agreement

At least

Scope 1 & 2





By 2030 compared to 2019



Scope 1 & 2



Net zero greenhouse gas emissions







Scope 3

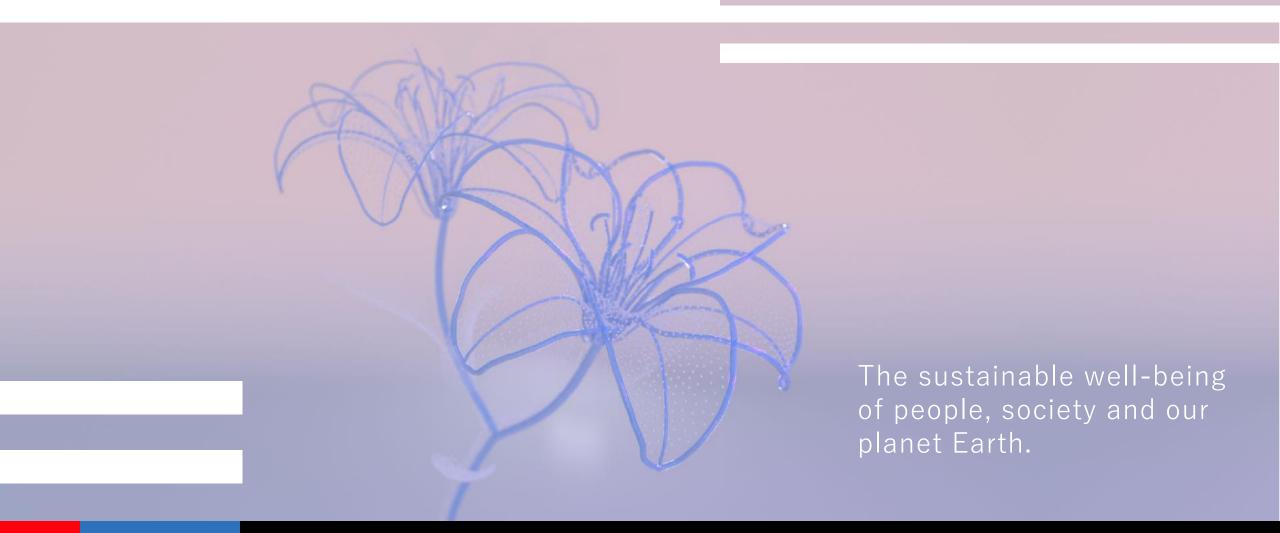
We are committed to comprehensively understand our upstream scope 3 footprint and cooperate with suppliers to develop strategies to reduce GHG emissions.



How do we plan to reach our Carbon Neutrality goals?

Mitsubishi Chemical is realizing KAITEKI





KAITEKI Vision 2030



Build a sustainability management system Measurement of financial, social and environmental impact along the life cycle Reduce environmental impact Promote a circular economy Feasibility studies of KAITEKI factories





Our measures to reduce greenhouse gas emissions



Increase of energy efficiency Buy green electricity

Optimize production processes Material Innovation Carbon Offsetting



Material Innovation

We help our customers to reduce GHG emissions by material innovation

Production of **bio-based feedstock**

Design products enabling mechanical and chemical recycling **Recycling of polymers** by different technologies and use of recycled content

KAITEKI Vision 2030



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financial, social and environmental impact along the life cycle

Measurement of

Reduce environmental impact Promote a circular economy

Feasibility studies of KAITEKI factories





Implementing a CE

We transform the products and business models of our businesses

Based on the 3 principles:

- Eliminate waste and pollution
- Circulate products and materials
- Regenerate nature

We are working on **building an ecosystem** with all the players along the value chain. Development of circular business models – recycling, design for recycling, Product as a Service. Our path to Carbon Neutrality and the Circular Economy Implementing at Mitsubishi Chemical



The Circular Economy Department



Nicole Kambeck Director Circular Economy



Dr. Lisa Weigand Advisor Circular Economy



Dr. Bálint Simon LCA Expert Circular Economy

Working across businesses on an array of topics:

- Strategy, new business models and technologies supporting the implementation of CN and CE
- External communication, representation and building a stakeholder network
- Advice on EU regulations and their impacts on our businesses
- LCA expertise

The Circular Economy

The role of the chemical industry



Examples of circular products, processes and business cases at Mitsubishi Chemical:

Use of alternative feedstock:

- Recycled content
- Biobased content
- CO₂ (artificial photosynthesis)

Chemical recycling:

- Molecular recycling of PMMA
- Pyrolysis of mixed plastic waste in cooperation with Mura Technology and Eneos
- Recycling of carbon fibres via pyrolysis

Extend the loop / PaaS:

Cleaning of semiconuctor equipment Mechanical recycling:

In-house recycling of engineering polymers

Design for circularity:

G-Polymer

The Circular Economy

The role of the chemical industry



Examples of circular products, processes and business cases at Mitsubishi Chemical:



The future of sustainability in the chemical industry?

Possible topics for the subsequent discussion:

- Clear strategies, tools and investment are needed to reach Carbon Neutrality by 2050 – can the chemical industry keep up the pace?
- Circular Economy must be a holistic approach and included in the core of the business strategy of companies
- Digitalization will play a key role in achieving Carbon Neutrality and the implementation of a Circular Economy



Questions?

Thank you ありがとうございます!

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