



# Joint news release

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## **BASF Asphalt Performance selects Azelis as its national distributor for polymer dispersions for the asphalt industry in Turkey**

- **The recently concluded mandate further develops the relationship between Azelis and BASF in Turkey, that is marked by success, expertise and reliability**
- **This agreement further strengthens Azelis' position in the asphalt market in Turkey**

BASF selected Azelis as its exclusive distributor for polymer dispersions and other products specifically designed to improve asphalt performance. Azelis, the preferred partner for dispersions, resins, formulation and performance additives in Turkey since 2019, will now also distribute the current and future portfolio of BASF Asphalt Performance in Turkey. The portfolio comprises products for the modification of hot mix asphalt as well as bitumen emulsions.

“We are confident that Azelis Turkey's local team of asphalt specialists will ensure that our asphalt customers receive excellent service and support for solutions customized to meet their complex bitumen requirements,” says Erkin Ataman, Manager, Dispersions, Resins and Additives for Turkey and Northwest Africa at BASF. “Azelis has been a reliable partner in Turkey. It has led us to decide that we would develop this partnership further in the coming years.”

Azelis is a leading global distributor of specialty chemicals. The company offers a diverse range of products and innovative services. With over 60 application laboratories across the world and a highly trained technical team, Azelis provides specialist support to customers and suppliers.

“We are very pleased to be the distributor of BASF Asphalt Performance products in Turkey,” adds Sertaç Sürür, Managing Director of Azelis Turkey. “BASF is a leading supplier of asphalt

performance products worldwide, with a particular strength in cold-mix applications. It has an excellent reputation for quality and innovation, which perfectly matches Azelis' ambition of providing first-class service to all of its customers. BASF's polymer dispersions for asphalt modification further expand Azelis' current product portfolio, thereby strengthening its cooperation with asphalt customers."

Since the beginning of 2019, BASF has been working on new and sustainable solutions for asphalt mixtures within the central Asphalt Performance platform. BASF's current portfolio includes Butonal® latex dispersions. These high-quality SBR polymer dispersions have been successfully used for many years for bitumen emulsion applications throughout the world.

For more information about BASF Asphalt Performance products: [www.asphalt-performance.basf.com](http://www.asphalt-performance.basf.com)

#### **BASF's Dispersions & Pigments division**

The Dispersions & Pigments division of BASF develops, produces and markets a range of high-quality pigments, resins, additives and polymer dispersions worldwide. These raw materials are used in formulations for a number of industries, including coatings, construction, adhesives, printing and packaging, electronics and paper. With its comprehensive product portfolio and its extensive knowledge of the industry, the Dispersions & Pigments division offers its customers innovative and sustainable solutions and helps them advance their formulations. For further information about the Dispersions & Pigments division, please visit [www.dispersions-pigments.basf.com](http://www.dispersions-pigments.basf.com).

#### **About BASF**

At BASF, we create chemistry for a sustainable future. We combine economic success with environmental protection and social responsibility. More than 117,000 employees in the BASF Group work on contributing to the success of our customers in nearly all sectors and almost every country in the world. Our portfolio is organized into six segments: Chemicals, Materials, Industrial Solutions, Surface Technologies, Nutrition & Care and Agricultural Solutions. BASF generated sales of €59 billion in 2019. BASF shares are traded on the stock exchange in Frankfurt (BAS) and as American Depositary Receipts (BASFY) in the U.S. Further information at [www.basf.com](http://www.basf.com).

## **About Azelis**

Azelis is a leading distributor of specialty chemicals and food ingredients present in over 50 countries across the globe with around 2,200 employees. Our knowledgeable teams of industry, market and technical experts are each dedicated to a specific market within Life Sciences and Industrial Chemicals. We offer a lateral value chain of complementary products to about 40,000 customers, creating a turnover of €2.15 billion (2019).

Throughout our extensive network of more than 60 application laboratories, our award-winning technical staff help customers develop formulations. We combine a global reach with a local focus to offer a reliable, integrated service to local customers and attractive business opportunities to principals. And we believe in building and nurturing solid, honest and transparent relationships with our people and partners.

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