

Solvay to invest €6 million in its site in Rheinberg, North Rhine-Westfalia, Germany – launching a new product line for flue gas treatment

Brussels – 30 January, 2018 --- Solvay announces a €6 million investment in its site in [Rheinberg](#) to expand its sodium bicarbonate production capacity. Its startup is planned by the end of 2018. With this new capacity, Solvay will be able to deliver its customers with [SOLVAir® SB 0/3](#), the ready-to-use solution for reducing pollutant atmospheric emissions in industries, to help them meet the most stringent newest environmental regulations.

[SOLVAIR® SOLUTIONS](#) improves the air quality by eliminating acid gases such as hydrochloric acid (HCl) and sulfur oxides (SOx) in a simple, efficient, and sustainable way. SOLVAir® SB 0/3 allows industrial companies to comply with regulations with reduced investment and operation costs.

“The addition of capacity in Rheinberg complements the existing capacity in [Torrelavega](#), Spain and creates a new platform to further grow our business in flue gas treatment. Our customers, such as waste-to-energy plants, power plants, industrial boilers, glass, cement, and steel industries, will benefit from another reliable and secure source of supply”, comments Olivier Champault, Head of [Bicarbonate and derivatives business](#).

This new capacity will benefit from a reduced energy consumption, in line with [Solvay’s sustainable commitment](#) to decrease its CO2 intensity. The project will be co-funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Affairs and Energy.

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