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## Solvay in Brazil ranked company of the year in the Época Negócios 360° ranking

Award recognizes Solvay's ability to combine industrial development with sustainability

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Solvay was named company of the year in the 11th edition of the Época Negócios 360° ranking, organized by Editora Globo, which is the main media group in Latin America. Each year, the ranking identifies the best business practices of around 400 companies from different sectors in Brazil through a 360° analysis, involving criteria such as environmental, social and governance (ESG) aspects, people management, innovation, vision of the future and financial performance.

The award ceremony took place yesterday in the presence of Daniela Manique, Solvay president in Latin America. It is worth noting that, last year, the Group had already been featured as the most innovative company in Brazil.



"We are proud to receive this recognition from one of the most important rankings that evaluate companies and businesses in Brazil. This is the result of all our initiatives and the commitment of our more than 1,800 employees throughout Brazil," said Daniela Manique, Solvay president in Latin America.

Solvay has been operating in [Brazil](#) since 1919, with 7 industrial facilities<sup>1</sup> and a Research and Innovation Center located in Paulínia. Over these years, the Group has established itself as a

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<sup>1</sup> Sprouts, Curitiba, Empress, Itatiba, Paulínia, Santo André and Taboão da Serra



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reference for innovative chemical solutions for various markets such as automotive, home and personal care, health, textiles, and paints and varnishes.

More specifically, Solvay's growth strategy in the region includes the development of renewable, biodegradable, and carbon neutral products while ensuring the decarbonization of its operations, in line with [Solvay's One Planet sustainability program](#).

A good example of how the Group combines industrial development with sustainability lies in Paulínia, which will soon celebrate its 80th anniversary. What began as a farm in 1942 for sugarcane planting and alcohol production became one of the Group's largest chemical complexes worldwide and a reference in biodiversity conservation, with initiatives that earned it the [Wildlife Habitat Council \(WHC\) Biodiversity Conservation certification](#) in the Gold category. The plant manufactures about 1.2 million tons of various chemicals a year and established a unit that reduces around 95% of its CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.



The site also benefits from various initiatives such as the digitalization of its operations, with the adoption of processes and technologies related to industry 4.0, with the use, for example, of artificial intelligence, robots and drones, that increase the reliability of its activities.

"These projects and initiatives have modernized our facilities and made our industrial units state-of-the-art in the chemical sector, helping to increase the company's competitiveness," continued Daniela. "We have a lot of growth ambitions, and we will continue to invest to make Solvay a reference of green chemistry in Brazil. Our approach includes constant investment, a lot of innovation in products and processes, internationally evaluated sustainability practices, and a deep relationship with our customers, partners and communities."



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## About Solvay

Solvay is a science company whose technologies bring benefits to many aspects of daily life. With more than 21,000 employees in 63 countries, Solvay bonds people, ideas and elements to reinvent progress. The Group seeks to create sustainable shared value for all, notably through its Solvay One Planet roadmap crafted around three pillars: protecting the climate, preserving resources and fostering a better life. The Group's innovative solutions contribute to safer, cleaner, and more sustainable products found in homes, food and consumer goods, planes, cars, batteries, smart devices, health care applications, water and air purification systems. Founded in 1863, Solvay today ranks among the world's top three companies for the vast majority of its activities and delivered net sales of €10.1 billion in 2021. Solvay is listed on Euronext Brussels and Paris (SOLB). Learn more at [www.solvay.com](http://www.solvay.com).