

## **Press Release**

# Great willingness to help others: ALTANA and ALTANA staff donate 70,000 euros to Haiti

**Wesel, March 2, 2010.** Many colleagues have responded to the emergency appeal of ALTANA AG to help the people of Haiti. Including the 10,000-euro emergency relief for the victims of the earthquake that devastated the island in mid-January, donations at the end of the campaign stand at 68,030 euros. The money is aimed at supporting the provision of initial medical care and reconstruction in the affected districts.

Immediately following the catastrophe, ALTANA appealed to its employees worldwide to contribute to a fund-raising campaign, promising to double the amount collected, with the result that the Group donated a (rounded up) figure of 70,000 euros to those in need.

The money went – with the exception of some overseas donations – to the German Relief Coalition "Aktion Deutschland hilft." ALTANA would like to thank all its staff for the solidarity and dedication they have shown.

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ALTANA develops and produces high-quality innovative products in the specialty chemicals business. The ALTANA Group, with headquarters in Wesel/Germany, is a genuine "global player" with 83% of its sales generated by international activities. The ALTANA Group has four divisions: **BYK** Additives & Instruments, **ECKART** Effect Pigments, **ELANTAS** Electrical Insulation, and **ACTEGA** Coatings & Sealants. All of these divisions occupy a leading position in their target markets with respect to quality, product solution expertise, innovation and service.

ALTANA offers innovative, environmentally compatible solutions with the matching specialty products for coating manufactures, paint and plastic processors, the printing and cosmetic industries, and the electrical and electronic industry. The product range includes additives, special coatings and adhesives, effect pigments, sealants and compounds, impregnating resins & varnishes, and testing and measuring instruments.

At present, the ALTANA Group has 35 production facilities and 47 service and research laboratories worldwide. Throughout the group 4,800 people work to ensure the success of ALTANA worldwide. In 2009 ALTANA achieved sales of about 1.2 billion euros. Its impressive earning power and high growth rate make ALTANA one of the most successful and innovative chemical groups worldwide.

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