

SUEZ strengthens its strategic partnership with Dow by taking over a hazardous waste treatment facility in Germany and delivering long term sustainable services

Relying on its European entity IWS (Industrial Waste Specialties) dedicated to the treatment and recovery of hazardous waste, SUEZ will develop its network of waste treatment facilities in Europe, addressing the growing demand of major industrial customers.

The treatment unit, located in the Dow ValuePark® in Schkopau near Leipzig in Central Germany includes a rotary kiln for the treatment of hazardous waste and an industrial sludge dryer. The unit treats liquid and solid waste generated by Dow (on and off site), by the industrial companies located in the ValuePark® and other companies in the area.

AN ACQUISITION THAT STRENGTHENS SUEZ'S POSITION ON THE EUROPEAN WASTE MARKET

In Germany, SUEZ has been delivering a complete range of household and industrial waste collection, recycling and treatment services for many years.

By acquiring this facility, the Group will strengthen its presence, particularly in Saxony and Saxony Anhalt, where SUEZ already treats household waste in five cities¹, and has been recovering hazardous waste by co-incineration in cement works furnaces for several years.

Thanks to this acquisition, SUEZ will reinforce its position as a major operator in the hazardous waste recovery market in Germany. This additional unit will reinforce the group's treatment network in Europe² and will offer industrial customers a better service that is local, adapted to the different types of waste and guarantees continuity of service.

A HIGH-PERFORMANCE, MADE-TO-MEASURE FACILITY ADAPTED TO INDUSTRIAL MANUFACTURERS' DEMANDS

Industrial manufacturers, especially in the chemical, pharmaceutical and petrochemical sectors, need global and reliable solutions to treat increasingly complex waste. Thanks to this dedicated kiln, SUEZ can treat all their hazardous waste in a way that totally respects the environment.

SUEZ will supply Dow and the manufacturers on-site on a long-term basis:

- steam produced by the high-temperature incineration of waste (up to 120,000 T/year)
- The chlorine produced by the incinerated hazardous waste, will be reused in the form of hydrochloric acid for industrial purposes.

Under the terms of this partnership, SUEZ will also dry and treat the sludge produced by the wastewater treatment plant dedicated to the local industrial activity.

The unit has a capacity of 35,000 tonnes per year. The capacity can be increased, according to the demands of the market and the diversification of the treated waste.

¹ Grosslehna, Marienberg, Aue, Zorbau and Granschütz

² IWS already operates 25 treatment units in Europe, in France, Spain, Italy, the Netherlands and Belgium.



Jean-Marc Boursier, SUEZ's Senior Executive Vice-President in charge of Recycling & Recovery activities in Europe, said: *"The development of industrial customers is one of SUEZ's strategic priorities. The acquisition of this industrial waste treatment unit demonstrates our ambition to better meet more of our customers' needs. SUEZ's expertise in the recovery and reuse of hazardous waste, now united in the IWS business unit, enables us to offer treatment solutions and environmental services adapted to Industrial customer's needs. We are proud of the faith that Dow has placed in us. This long-term strategic partnership is the fruit of ongoing cooperation on subjects related to the protection of resources. With this aim, we'll provide reliable and sustainable services, producing steam in particular, a local and renewable green energy."*

About SUEZ

We are at the dawn of the resource revolution. In a world facing high demographic growth, runaway urbanisation and the shortage of natural resources, securing, optimising and renewing resources is essential to our future. SUEZ (Paris: SEV, Brussels: SEVB) supplies drinking water to 92 million people, delivers wastewater treatment services to 65 million, recovers 16 million tons of waste each year and produces 7 TWh of local and renewable energy. With 82,536 employees, SUEZ, which is present on all five continents, is a key player in the sustainable management of resources. SUEZ generated total revenues of €15.1 billion in 2015.

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