

Press Release – EX-ANTE WAYS TOWARDS THE ENERGY TRANSITION - CATALYZING INNOVATION THROUGH INVESTMENTS IN SUSTAINABLE CHEMISTRY

The third edition of the Investor Forum, organized by ISC₃, will dive into the dynamics and interplay of regulation and reporting related to chemical restrictions, new and alternative business models, and ways forward towards the energy transition.

Participants will be able to learn about impact investment as a driver for innovations in sustainable chemistry, find out how the energy transition relies on sustainable chemistry solutions, which challenges the renewable energy paradigm holds for the chemical sector, and how policies and the finance sector can help to incentivize the transition towards a greenhouse gas neutral sector. Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals requires massive technological changes in multiple areas such as energy, biotechnology, construction, agriculture, and others. The chemical sector is a key contributor to these changes and is capable of transforming energy production and storage, insulation materials, food production and more in environmentally friendly products.

The Investor Forum 2021 will address questions, such as: How can renewable energy impact the chemical sector carbon footprint? How is the current taxonomy discussion contributing to a more sustainable industrial landscape? How do regulation, restriction (REACH), reporting (taxonomy), as a new framework for international investments and innovations, contribute to a successful development in this important sector? And what is the Role of Sustainable Chemistry in the energy transition and ways forward?

The <u>Investor Forum</u>, held virtually for the second time from November 9th to November 11th, 2021, will connect founders, investors, and experts as well as decision-makers from industry, science, and politics, to explore these crucial questions. Its panel discussions will be matched by three pitching sessions, featuring 20 sustainable chemistry start-ups, additional innovation showcases of cutting-edge entrepreneurs, as well as speed dating and networking opportunities with international investors via a separate virtual platform solution. The featured start-ups profiles will soon be available for investors in a digitally available investor booklet. Beyond this, the Investor Forum will also again host the Presentations of the Finalists and the Award Ceremony of the global EUR 25,000 <u>ISC₃ Innovation Challenge in Renewable Energy and Sustainable Chemistry</u>. For further information, please visit <u>www.isc3.org</u> and register now.

About the ISC₃

The ISC₃ is an international centre promoting and developing sustainable chemistry solutions worldwide. It is a globally acting centre, a multi-stakeholder platform that engages with civil society, politics, and the private sector to contribute to international chemicals policies and the formation of a global network for collaboration, innovation, research, and education on Sustainable Chemistry. The centre was founded in 2017 on the initiative of the German Federal Ministry for the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU) and

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the German Environment Agency (UBA). The ISC₃ is anchored in the German GIZ (Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit) and has established a Research & Education Hub at Leuphana University, Lüneburg, and an Innovation Hub at DECHEMA e.V., Frankfurt.

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