# **GENERATIONS@WORK**

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# BASF – Number 1 chemical company worldwide

- The world's leading chemical company: No. 1–3 market position in 75% of all products and markets
- Sales 2006: 52.6 billion Euro; Income from operations (EBIT) 2006: 6.8 billion Euro; EBIT Margin 2006: 12.8%
- Customers in more than 170 countries
- 150 Production sites in 38 countries
- More than 95,000 employees worldwide



## **BASF's balanced portfolio**

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#### Focusing on our core activities



#### 2006 total sales\*: 52.6 billion Euro

\*Including other activities 2006: 2.5 billion Euro (5%)



Sales by industry, percentage of sales\*

> 15 %	Chemical E (not an industry with end users)	inergy	
10-15 % each	Automotive Construction		
5-10 %	Agriculture		Trate 1 in the second
< 5 % each	CosmeticsElectrical &Detergents &ElectronicsCleanersFurnitureHealth	Leather/Shoes Packaging Paper Textiles	

\* Other industries amount to approximately 10% of total sales in 2006

### **Profitable growth** EBIT by activity\*

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\* Before special items as of 1999, excl. Others, \*\* excl. Pharma, Polyolefins, \*\*\* based on IFRS

## BASF 2015 - four strategic guidelines for long-term success



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### **BASF worldwide**





Number of employees	Chang	e compared with 2005
Europe	61,444	+ 8.5%
thereof Germany	47,296	+ 3.7%
Asia Pacific	12,788	+ 32.3%
North America	15,513	+ 57.9%
South America, Africa, Middle East	5,502	+ 13.8%
Total*	95,247	+ 17.7%

# BASF actively shapes the challenges of demographic change



Aim: maintain innovative ability and safeguard necessary productivity

# The population is shrinking in Europe

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Parts of Asia as life expectancy overall is rising



**Population changes in selected countries** 



Source: UN World Population Prospects, 2004 Revision, Medium Variant

# The greatest pressure for action in respect of HR in Europe

... is on the Ludwigshafen site: high risk externally and internally – at the same time, the largest site



Demographic risk arising from the age structure

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Risk portfolio of BASF Group shows need for action

... in Europe, USA, Australia and Japan - other countries are not affected



Demographic risk arising from the age structure

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## The workforce is getting older

Today 55% are between 35 and 50 years old

... in 2020 this majority will be 50-65 years old

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Compressed age structure in BASF AG



# The GENERATIONS@WORK programme plans all areas of action

... early on and enables BASF to face up to demographic change



# Aims of the GENERATIONS@WORK programme

#### **Employability**

BASF employees are physically and mentally fit right through to retirement age – as a result of targeted measures by the company and their own initiative.

#### **Cultural change**

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As the result of a fundamental change in how we deal with aging, we are creating a motivating working environment for all generations.

#### Social responsibility

Our social responsibility helps us to identify and realise the opportunities of demographic change in the surrounding area.

#### Sustainable recruitment

We are an attractive employer in all relevant employment markets; we train continuously and appoint innovative management trainees.

#### **Competitive productivity**

Our productivity and innovative power remains competitive on the international stage even with an increasing average age.

#### **Financing of pensions**

The company pension scheme remains on a sound financial footing and will be safe in the future.

# Structure of the GENERATIONS@WORK programme

Aims	Project
Employability	Personnel development Health management Occupational safety, ergonomics and work organization
Sustainable recruitment	Personnel structure management Training 2015 Agencies Best Employer BASF Compatibility of work and family
Productivity	Performance Management LU/Europe Financing of company pension scheme
Cultural change	Communication & Change Management
Social responsibility	Social responsibility in the education field

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# **Back-up**

## **Successful implementation**

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Ex. 1: further expansion of the measures to combine work and family



**Global Family** 

Summer holiday programme

Part-time work offensive

Parent and child programme

**Flexitime models** 

Personal review "return agreement"

Hertie Audit "Work & Family"

Parents' network

**Childminder network** 

Further company / contractual benefits

Teleworking

Information / Advice / Communication

#### **Create scope for choice**

- Proportion of qualified women in the employment market will continue to grow
- Being an attractive employer for women – and fathers
- Social responsibility: making it easier to decide to have a family by offering a range of support services
- Comprehensive package of measures:
  - supporting parents
  - making it easier to return after a childcare break
  - making it possible to combine work and children

# **Successful implementation**

**Example 2: Learning Centre** 

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#### Learn lifelong learning

- Matching the learning curve with the working curve
  - Basic training is not the end, but the start of occupational learning
  - The 50+ generation must open up more to further occupational training and accept it
- Hence the Learning Centre:
  - Individualised, age-specific advice on learning
  - A variety of training opportunities for different age groups
  - Joint learning events on practical topics bring young and old together
  - Wide range of different learning media

# **Successful implementation**

BASE Example 3: Proactive Education

Quasi Sprache macht stark! Erzählwerkstatt



#### Invest early instead of repairing later!

- Germany is missing opportunities: too many young people without a qualification
- Our aging society urgently requires well-trained young people
- Provide children with optimum encouragement and support at an early stage
- Hence "Proactive Education":
  - Programme to promote the learning capability of young children in the region