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BASF Schwarzheide

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BASF is announcing a new battery materials production site in Schwarzheide, Germany, as part of its multi-step investment plan to support the European electric vehicle (EV) value chain. Innovative cathode materials by BASF increase the performance of batteries and promote the success of climate friendly mobility.

The BASF Schwarzheide production site is one of the largest BASF Group sites in Europe. It produces a wide range of functional materials and solutions. Its portfolio includes polyurethane, engineering plastics, foams, crop protection agents, performance chemicals and coatings.

(01) Aerial shots BASF site Schwarzheide

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The Schwarzheide plant’s modular design and infrastructure allows for the rapid scale-up of manufacturing capacities enabling BASF to meet increasing customer demand for the European EV market. This state-of-the art plant will produce cathode active materials (CAM) with an initial capacity enabling the supply of around 400,000 full electric vehicles per year with BASF battery materials.

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The site in Schwarzheide uses an energy-efficient gas and steam turbine power plant that operates on the principle of combined heat and power generation. Until the battery materials plant is commissioned, the integration of renewable energies is also planned. The Harjavalta plant, which supplies precursors (PCAM), will utilize renewable energy resources, including hydro, wind and biomass-based power. This advantageous energy mix will provide CAM material with a very low CO2 footprint.

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