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SFS further develops its sustainability activities

Sustainability is deeply embedded in the corporate DNA of SFS. That's true not only in Switzerland, but also at the company's foreign activities. This is shown by the example of Indo Schöttle (India), which recently received the "Best Overall Sustainable Performance Award".

Sustainability is important to SFS. Partnership with its employees and business partners, acceptance of social responsibility, and environmental respect are integral elements of SFS' culture and strategy.

SFS has further developed its sustainability reporting practices towards the international GRI standards last year. Stakeholder engagement was intensified and the core elements ensuring SFS' sustainable and successful development were identified during the course of a materiality assessment. The six most relevant topics will be expounded in the 2017 annual report.

Indo Schöttle distinguished

Sustainability is not only in Switzerland an important issue: Sustainability projects are being pursued abroad too, as demonstrated by the ISO 14001 certification of several foreign sites. India provides another example of SFS Group's international commitment to sustainability: Indo Schöttle was recently honored to receive a "Best Overall Sustainable Performance Award" from Mahindra, India's largest vehicle manufacturer. Mahindra Group is one of Indo Schöttle's key accounts. The award was presented in recognition of Indo Schöttle's outstanding sustainability efforts in the fields of alternative energy, energy conservation and corporate social responsibility activities over the past several years.

About SFS Group

SFS is a leading global provider of mechanical fastening systems and precision components. SFS Group AG operates in the three segments Engineered Components, Fastening Systems and Distribution & Logistics, which reflects the respective business models. In the **Engineered Components** segment, SFS partners with customers to develop and manufacture customized precision components, fastening solutions and assemblies. The segment has four divisions, Automotive, Electronics, Industrial and Medical, and sells its products under the SFS intec (Automotive and Industrial), Unisteel (Electronics) and Tegra Medical (Medical) brands. In the **Fastening Systems** segment, which consists of the Construction and the Riveting divisions, SFS develops, manufactures and markets application-specific mechanical fastening systems under the SFS intec (Construction) and GESIPA (Riveting) brands. In the **Distribution & Logistics** segment with the SFS unimarket brand, SFS is a leading provider of fasteners, hand tools and power tools, hardware as well as innovative logistics solutions in Switzerland. SFS Group is a global player with manufacturing sites and distribution companies at more than 70 locations in 25 countries around the world. Sales amounted to CHF 1.437 billion in fiscal 2016 and the workforce numbered approximately 9,000.

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