Press Release

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Brenntag General Shareholders’ Meeting decides on once again increased dividend for financial year 2017

- General Shareholder’s Meeting decides on a payment of a dividend of 1.10 EUR per share (+4.8% on previous year)
- General Shareholders’ Meeting votes to endorse all motions put by the Board of Management and Supervisory Board

Brenntag (WKN A1DAHH), the global market leader in chemical distribution, held its Ordinary General Shareholders’ Meeting in Düsseldorf earlier today. In their speeches, Chief Executive Officer Steven Holland and Chief Financial Officer Georg Müller reported to shareholders on the financial year 2017 with the two key performance indicators gross profit and operating EBITDA being increased compared with the previous year. This positive performance was broad-based and supported by both the existing business and acquisitions. The North America and Asia Pacific regions delivered particularly encouraging results, posting sound organic growth.

With an attendance rate of over 75%, the General Shareholders’ Meeting approved the proposed Management Board and Supervisory Board resolutions with a large majority in each case. Accordingly, it resolved to pay dividends in the amount of 1.10 EUR per share, an increase of 4.8% compared with the previous year. This means that the payout ratio is 47.1% of the profit after tax attributable to Brenntag shareholders. This is the seventh year in succession since the IPO in which Brenntag pays its shareholders a higher dividend.

About Brenntag:
Brenntag, the global market leader in chemical distribution, covers all major markets with its extensive product and service portfolio. Headquartered in Essen, Germany, the company operates a global network with more than 530 locations in 74 countries. In 2017, the company, which has a global workforce of more than 15,000 employees, generated sales of EUR 11.7 billion.
(USD 13.3 billion). Brenntag connects chemical manufacturers and chemical users. The company supports its customers and suppliers with tailor-made distribution solutions for industrial and specialty chemicals. With over 10,000 products and a world-class supplier base, Brenntag offers one-stop-shop solutions to around 185,000 customers. This includes specific application technology, an extensive technical support and value-added services such as just-in-time delivery, product mixing, formulation, repackaging, inventory management and drum return handling. Long-standing experience and local excellence in the individual countries characterize the global market leader for chemical distribution.

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