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**Evonik releases its annual Crop Report for Europe**

Essen, Germany. With its ‘Europe Raw Material Crop Report 2017’, Evonik provides the Animal Nutrition industry with the essential feed ingredients data it needs from 2017’s European harvest. Using analyses from 5,725 samples of common European crop varieties collected from across 16 countries, the compilation contains the key data on crops from right across the continent. In this latest edition, information about the harvest reports from the two Nordic countries of Sweden and Finland have been included for the first time.

“For composing a well-balanced feed it is crucial to know the exact protein content of every single raw material”, says Dr. Emmanuel Auer, head of Animal Nutrition Business Line of Evonik. “As these protein contents can vary wildly from year-to-year, especially on a more localized, regional basis, our annual reports help provide the industry with this valuable insight and data”.

In 2017, for example, the 11.6 percent European average protein content is comparable to 2016’s 11.5 percent. However, when taking a closer look at Spain things are clearly not the same at all. Instead, in Spain it is clear to see that there is a difference of around 1.7 percent points when comparing the 2016 average crude protein levels in Spanish wheat (10.8 percent), to the 2017 Spanish harvest average (12.5 percent).

To provide these detailed insights, Evonik started publishing its Europe Raw Material Crop Report in 2012. Since then, it has become more and more comprehensive each year. Today, it features more sample analyses, uses more analytical parameters and includes data from even more countries in the 2017 report than ever before.

Copies of the latest report are now available from local Evonik sales teams.

**About Evonik**

Evonik is one of the world leaders in specialty chemicals. The focus on more specialty businesses, customer-orientated innovative prowess and a trustful and performance-oriented corporate culture form the heart of Evonik’s corporate strategy. They are the lever for profitable growth and a sustained increase in the value of the company. Evonik benefits specifically from its customer proximity and leading market positions. Evonik is active in over 100 countries around the world with more than 36,000 employees. In fiscal 2016, the enterprise generated sales of around €12.7 billion and an operating profit (adjusted EBITDA) of about €2.165 billion.

**About Nutrition & Care**

The Nutrition & Care segment is led by Evonik Nutrition & Care GmbH and contributes to fulfilling basic human needs. That includes applications for everyday consumer goods as well as animal nutrition and health care. This segment employed about 7,500 employees, and generated sales of around   
€4.3 billion in 2016.

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