

## The Lenzing Group – A Sustainable Company

Sustainability for Lenzing is a living reality.

The effort and performance of our staff members is the basis of our economic success.

We set high standards for ecologically sound production at all our sites.



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## Introduction

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The Lenzing Group has been living sustainability for years now. We are convinced that responsible ecological and social action is a precondition for our success. Improvement of our economic, ecological and social performance is a result of our corporate strategy which is consistent with the concept of sustainability.

We are a global company and we implement our high environmental standards in all our production processes at all locations. Careful utilization of resources, reduction of emissions and careful management of energy sources are some of our principles for ensuring ecological sustainability.

Our most valuable asset, however, are our staff members. Without their effort and

performance our enormous success of the recent years would certainly not have been possible. Our social responsibility not only means continual training and further education, the organizational and creative setting of opportunities for personal growth and development, but also the steady improvement of safety standards in the working environment.

It is our goal to maintain our dialog with all interest groups and to take their needs into consideration. That is why the Lenzing Group is a responsible partner for the local communities at its sites and supports nonprofit projects there.

Well targeted measures allowed us to reach our sustainability goals. As part of capacity expansion at Lenzing we set

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new industrial standards: The successful introduction of a new technology for sulfate reduction as part of an anaerobic waste water treatment plant. Moreover, an additional air purification plant was put into service.

It is our future goal to continually improve our economic, ecological and social performance and to thereby prove ourselves as a company group committed to the principles of sustainability.

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# A Brief Portrait

# Lenzing Group

The Lenzing Group, an international corporate group with headquarters in Upper Austria, is present on world markets. With quality and innovation, the company sets standards in the field of man-made cellulose fibers. Lenzing fibers, made of wood, a renewable raw material, are used by the textile industry – for garments, hometextiles and technical textiles– as well as by the nonwovens industry. With its more than 65 years of experience in the production of fibers, the Lenzing Group is the only manufacturer that unites all three generations of man-made cellulose fibers – from viscose to modal and lyocell fibers.

The success of the Lenzing Group is based on a consistent focus on its customers, combined with its leadership in technology and quality. Its economic strength is secured both by focusing on special fibers and by its good position with respect to costs.

In addition to its core business fibers the Lenzing Group also operates in the business sectors paper, engineering and systems construction, and plastics.

#### Pulp

 Lenzing fibers consist of 100% pulp (cellulose).
 Lenzing produces its own pulp – primarily from beech – for the fiber production at the Lenzing site



- **Textile Fibers**
- Shirts/blouses
- Ladies' and men's wear
- Lingerie
- Home textiles



- **Nonwovens Fibers**
- Hygiene
- Cosmetics
- Household
- Medical



### Lenzing Group 2004

#### Chemicals

- Sodium sulfate
- Acetic acid

Energy Electricity

Heat

Utilities

Disposal

Furfural

- Engineering Viscose technology Pulp and environmental technologies
- Separation technology
- Automation
- Systems construction and industrial services
- Marking systems
- Electronics

#### **Plastics**

- Films, tapes, fabrics and laminates
- Fibers and yarns for filtration
- Yarns for braided packings

- Recycling paper
- Poster paper
- Envelope paper













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# The Lenzing Group World Leader in (

By far the largest research and development center for the cellulose fiber industry worldwide

Only corporate group worldwide with cellulose

fibers as its core business

Three generations of cellulose fibers under one roof: Viscose, Modal and Lyocell fiber

LENZING

Technology leader

in the cellulose

Lenzing/Austria: the world's largest integrated cellulose fiber plant — therefore also leadership in pulp production know-how

The prominent position of

the Lenzing Group is based

on several cornerstones:

Only manufacturer of cellulose fibers with global activities and production sites in all relevant regions of the world

Long-term raw-material supply secured





# ellulose Fiber Technology

Within a period of 15 years the Lenzing Group has developed from a European textile fiber manufacturer into a global supplier. This success is based on a clear positioning in world markets:



Building on its market position, Lenzing pursues a globally oriented growth strategy with consistent development of its technology leadership.

Only supplier able to guarantee worldwide customer services

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# The Lenzing Group

Innovative technologies and major investments into environmental protection have made the Lenzing Group the quality and technology leader for man-made cellulose fibers. The milestones along this road are: Founding new companies and introducing new processes.

Industrialist Emil Hamburger operates a papermill in Lenzing.

Zellwolle Lenzing AG founded. Viscose fiber plant construction starts

Acquisition of the Lenzing Pulp and Paper Factory. Magnesium bisulfite technology for pulp production developed at Lenzing allows for the recovery of wood cook-

ing process chemicals

and reduces pollution.



December: South Pacific Viscose (SPV) goes operational in Purwakarta, Indonesia

## Vapors condensate

1983

extraction developed and implemented: Acetic acid and furfural are obtained from wood components, water pollution is further reduced.

#### 1985

First listing of Lenzing shares at the Vienna Stock Exchange.

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							1987 <b>1988</b>	1992

1988

**Tencel Joins Lenzing** A Milestone in Lenzing's History

Lenzing and Courtaulds acquire basic patents for solvent-based cellulose fiber production.



### Tencel

#### Tencel fiber pilot plant

After almost ten years of research Courtaulds plc, a British company, starts lyocell fiber production at a semi-commercial pilot plant at Grimsby/Great Britain.

### 1992

#### First large-scale plant in United States

Courtaulds starts up its first commercial plant in the USA in Mobile, Alabama. The fiber is marketed as TENCEL®.

#### 1998

Courtaulds starts its second production plant for TENCEL® at Grimsby/ Great Britain.





#### Challenges

- Textile industry globalization
- Shift of customer base and textile processing chain to Asia

#### **Lenzing Group**



#### 1986/89 Construction of a multi-stage biological waste-water treatment plant.

process of the new fiber.

### 1987

Construction of a fluidized-bed boiler for burning sludge, bark and other biogenic fuels.

#### 1992 A global first: Commercial ozone bleach plant for pulp

A European first: The commercial lyocell plant at Heiligenkreuz goes goes operational. operational.



#### 1997

2004 Acquisition of the Tencel Group.

#### 2005

Construction work for the Nanjing viscose production plant in China starts.

#### 2000 1995 201 End of patent Lyocell fiber pilot plant Production start at Heiligenkreuz Ground breaking Acquisition of Tencel ceremony at Heiligen-Heiligenkreuz litigation expansion After more than five Lenzing takes over the kreuz in Burgenland years of preparation, The plant goes op-After many years of Lenzing starts doubling Tencel group of compapilot production of Construction work for erational with an annual litigation, Lenzing and capacity to 40,000 tons nies. Lyocell production lyocell fibers begins at Lenzing's first commercapacity of 12,000 tons. Courtaulds mutually per year. Start up of the capacity is tripled to Lenzing. Key customers cial lyocell fiber plant recognize their respecnew plant scheduled 120,000 tons per year. are integrated into the begins. tive technological develfor 2004. development process to opments. The licensor optimize the production





of the basic patent is party to the agreement. Mutual exchange of know-how begins.

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# The Lenzing Group 2004 and its Markets

#### Production Site Mobile, Alabama (USA)

Lyocell fibers (TENCEL<sup>®</sup>) ## Staff: ca. 110 Capacity: 40,000 tons of fibers/year

#### Important consumer market

- Highest per-capita consumption of finished textiles and nonwovens end products (wiping cloths, tampons and others)
- Presence of important brands and commercial chains
- Lenzing Plastics: PTFE (dental floss)

#### Marketing Office

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Marketing Office Derby

#### Production Site Grimsby, United Kingdom Lyocell fibers (TENCEL®) ## Staff: ca. 180 & Capacity: 40,000 tons of fibers/year

#### Marketing Office London

#### Western Europe:

- Focus on innovation and design in the textile industry
- Specialty fibers for home textiles and lingerie
- Promising core market for nonwovens
- Important consumer market
- Lenzing Technik and Business Unit Paper: core market
- Lenzing Plastics: fabrics and laminates

South America Denim market TENCEL®

### Worldwide fiber consumption:

Nonwovens: +13% Textile fibers: +12%

### Growth market Asia:

Growth rate of nonwovens: +30% Growth rate of textile fibers: +15%

Source: Lenzing AG

Production SitesMarketsOffices



#### **Per-capita fiber** consumption

International average: Western Europe: 22 kg/year China: 10 kg/year

Source: Lenzing AG

#### **Production Site** Lenzing, Austria

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Plastic products, systems construction and engineering, paper products

#### Sales market China: **Booming fiber market**

Sales Of-fice Jakarta, Indonesia

Lenzing Technik Representative Office Beijing

Japan Representative Office, Tokyo

Innovative market for special fibers (textile and nonwoven fibers)
 Lenzing Plastics: PTFE (filtration)

Marketing and Sales Office Lenzing Fibers Hong Kong

# Production Site Purwakarta, Indonesia

Staff: approximately 1,500

Capacity: 150,000 tons of fibers per year

Production Site Heiligenkreuz, Austria Lyocell fibers (TENCEL®) ### Staff: ca.180 Capacity: 40,000 tons of fibers/year

# Production Site Nanjing, China Under construction ∰ Staff: ca. 500 (from 2006) ➡ Capacity (as of 2006 60,000 tons of viscose fibers/year

Marketing and Sales Office Lenzing Fibers Shanghai



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## **Sustainability**

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### The Three Dimensions of Sustainability

The fundamental goal of sustainability is simple: Entrepreneurial action must create a balance between environment and society – for today and for tomorrow.

Achieving sustainability is a long-term process. Ecological, social and economic concerns, occasionally conflicting, must be reconciled.

Long-term and competitive value addition in production, fair distribution of resources, social responsibility and appropriate working environments are the central issues.

#### Sustainable corporate citizenship

- fosters the trust of customers and suppliers,
- deepens the relationships with all stakeholders,
- increases long-term economic growth,
- enhances social and ecological awareness.



### **Management Philosophy**

The Lenzing Group operates globally with a long-term profit perspective – a company close to the market in all fields of activity. This market flexibility is based on our organization into

"Sustainable development is a development that meets the needs of the present generation without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs and choose their own lifestyle. The requirement to make this development 'sustainable' applies to all countries and people."

Gro Harlem Brundtland: World Commission Report on Development, 1987

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seven business units. The demands of the individual markets are forever changing, this requires room for independent initiatives by these individual units. The ability to make their own commercial decisions is the key to their success.

Corporate guidelines are provided for those areas that apply to all business units, such as:

- Finance
- Information technology (IT)
- Human resources
- Communication.

Moreover, the company sets standards that are now applied in a broad range of sectors. They will be fully implemented in a gradual process. Among these are:

- Quality management (ISO 9001)
- Safety standards (safety and health philosophy, OHSAS 18001)
- Environmental standards (environmental policy, ISO 14001)

As the world's largest producer of cellulose fiber, continuous product innovation, process optimization and active market development are the basis of our future. Economic sustainability, environmental and social awareness, as well as respect for cultural diversity are the guiding principles of our corporate activities and of our management leadership.

The practical implementation of these aims is the responsibility of the individual business units. They decide on the means best suited to the unique demands of their tasks in order to achieve our common goals.

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# In Dialog with our Stakeholders

Enterprises do not exist in isolation, they are interconnected with many other companies, groups and individuals. All these stakeholders contribute to defining the success of a company. Therefore lasting success of an enterprise must consider the social, cultural and economic environment when taking commercial decisions.

Economic activity has become a matter of public concern, more and more dealing with the claims of diverse groups of society. Balancing these differing needs is a central task of corporate management. The social responsibility of enterprises includes the marketing of socially and environmentally sound products and their production processes. The degree of customer perception of these qualities is a decisive success factor, next to technological competence. The more fundamental an innovation, the more stakeholders must be considered in corporate decisions making.



The integration of stakeholders and the development and maintenance of relationships with the different groups is an important element of the long-term success of the company.





### Business Unit Textile Fibers – In dialog with the textile processing chain

The complexity of communication with the diverse stakeholders becomes evident when looking at the lines of communication of the business unit Textile Fibers. The network of sites, offices and representatives of this business unit not only attends to direct clients (spinning mills), but also to the textile chain as a whole:



#### Moreover, close contacts are maintained with:

- chemical industry (manufacturers of auxiliary materials and dyestuff)
- diverse textile associations
- independent textile institutes (for example the International Textile Research Institute in Hohenstein, Germany, or the Institute for Textile Chemistry and Chemical Fibers in Denkendorf, Germany)
- a series of academic partners (EU projects, joint research projects, as well as industrial projects up to market introduction)
- engineering (manufacturers of machines for spinning, knitting, weaving, as well as dyeing and finishing)
- public authorities: relationships here touch on a broad range of topics concerning patent rights, the environment and issues of certification
- press: communication with trade publications is another aspect of the network of business unit Textile Fibers