# *Press release*

*Meraxis at the K 2022 in Düsseldorf, October 19-26, 2022, Hall 6 / Booth E 27*

**Meraxis: Digital and sustainable solutions for future polymer industry**

**Muri b. Bern/Schweiz, 14. September 2022 – Meraxis is presenting its one-stop shop at "K 2022": In addition to standard polymers, recyclates and investment goods such as molds, the portfolio also includes technical and supply chain management (SCM) services. With its one-stop shop service, Meraxis simplifies the procurement process and helps polymer processors to master current challenges in global supply chains. The global trading company's strong supplier network, flexible logistics concepts and consulting services, and digital solutions are particularly helpful in this regard. The trade show appearance will also focus on products and services to promote the circular economy and sustainability.**

The Ukraine war, the Corona pandemic, congestions on the world's oceans and container shortages - for months now, global supply chains have been in a state of emergency, sometimes leading to production breakdowns. "Our goal is to digitalize procurement and logistics processes, making them more resilient," says Dr. Stefan Girschik, CEO of Meraxis. "There will increasingly be external disruptive factors. But with the appropriate digital solutions, such events can be detected earlier and, above all, managed with effective countermeasures. This way, companies remain agile and able to act."

**360° overview and automatic order management**

Meraxis’ digital customer portal centralizes data and documents: Users get a 360° overview of current and past inquiries, offers, orders, invoices, payments, and information on delivery times and delivery status. In the future, live tracking of deliveries will even be possible. Current market data and raw material price developments can also be found in the portal. In addition, material inquiries can be made and orders placed around the clock. Meraxis also offers automated order management for prime and recycled materials to optimize inventories.

With the VMI (vendor-managed inventory) service "Ordering 4.0", data on customers' filling and material stocks can be transmitted directly to Meraxis. This is not only possible manually, but also fully automatically, for example via sensors in the raw material silos. If the fill level falls below a defined mark, a reorder with an ideal delivery time is automatically initiated. "Smart orders optimize inventories and delivery cycles," says Michael Grysczyk, Head of Digital & Disruptive Business at Meraxis. "This way, we ensure that our customers never run out of material and always have an optimal stock level. For them, the effort is reduced and process reliability increases."

**Recyclate procurement and consulting on sustainable material use**

Digital solutions can also help companies achieve their sustainability goals and promote the circular economy. Thanks to digital data, for example, it is possible to make the carbon footprint visible and improve it. Meraxis also supports its customers in switching to recyclates. The digital "Polymer Finder" also helps with this. Here, suitable polymers including sustainable recycled material can be researched, which are suitable for certain processing procedures and fulfill special properties. In addition, Meraxis advises its customers individually on the use and processing of recyclates and gives them access to the fragmented recycling market.

**Meraxis at the K trade fair 2022 in hall 6 at booth E 27**

Trends and challenges in the industry will be discussed in live interviews at the Meraxis booth: How can medium-sized companies professionalize their tool procurement? What role does recycled material play in the automotive industry? What do companies need to successfully manage supply chains and risks? From Wednesday to Saturday (October 19-22), talks with industry experts, customers and partners will take place daily at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. as part of "Meraxis TV".

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**About the Meraxis Group**

With sales of over EUR 2 billion, Meraxis is one of the leading international distributors of polymer-related solutions. Thanks to its worldwide sales and logistics network, the Swiss trading group acts as a one-stop store for the polymer-processing industry: Meraxis supports its customers in the strategic sourcing of polymers and polymer-related products and solutions. It supplies companies from all industrial sectors – from the automotive and construction industries to packaging companies. Meraxis combines many years of experience in global trading and the development and processing of polymers as well as sound material and product knowledge.

The product portfolio of the company, located in Muri bei Bern (Switzerland), includes standard polymers (e.g. PE, PP, PET, PVC), technical polymers, additives (e.g. masterbatches), recyclates, trade parts (e.g. foils, injection molded parts, aluminum and steel profiles) as well as investment goods such as tools and machines for various plastic processing technologies. In addition, Meraxis offers supplementary services, e.g. in the area of logistics and financing.

The full-service provider develops tailor-made solutions together with its customers to increase the efficiency of the respective production processes. Among other things, Meraxis offers service and consulting related to the required product properties (including additives, high-temperature thermoplastics, plasticizers, etc.). At the same time, the polymer distributor is committed to driving the continued development of sustainable and innovative polymer-related solutions. Meraxis also sees itself as an active partner for digital transformation within the polymer industry.

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