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TenCate Advanced Armour and DSM Dyneema intensify mutual cooperation

TenCate Advanced Armour and DSM Dyneema are intensifying their mutual cooperation for launching innovative products and bringing personnel armour solutions to the international defense and law enforcement markets. At the Milipol 2013 exhibition, held from November 19-22 in Paris, TenCate will showcase its TenCate Multi-light™ insert portfolio using Dyneema® Force Multiplier Technology products. Bringing complementary capabilities of both multinationals together in connection for protecting people is creating the best possible solutions for the market.

Both TenCate and DSM have a long history in the joint development of materials for armour solutions for personal and vehicle protection. Steen Tanderup, managing director of TenCate Advanced Armour explains: "Current focus is on further reducing weight, increasing comfort and developing cost efficient solutions. TenCate Advanced Armour manages to combine those customer demands while increasing the level of protection. Our cooperation with DSM is constructive and productive and the Dyneema® Force Multiplier Technology is a part of the innovation of the advanced armour solutions of TenCate. We intend to set a new standard for ballistic armour protection in both personal protection applications like vests, inserts, helmets, soft armor applications, and for vehicle armour. But also for next-generation tactical gear that will be engineered around the future soldier programs. The application of the Dyneema® Force Multiplier Technology is an important part of this process."

TenCate Advanced Armour is one of the selected launch partners of DSM for using this radically innovative Dyneema® Force Multiplier Technology in its TenCate Multi-light™ insert portfolio and vehicle armour solutions and will jointly market these materials in defense and law enforcement markets globally.

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TenCate Advanced Armour is a leading global supplier of a wide range of armour composite materials for ballistic protection. TenCate Advanced Armour develops and produces a portfolio of composite and ceramic materials and designs active armour solutions for the protection of police, army, air force, navy and civilian service personnel, vehicles and vessels. TenCate Advanced Armour has facilities in North America, Europe and Asia.

Royal Ten Cate (TenCate) is a multinational company that combines textile technology with chemical processes and material technology in the development and production of functional materials with distinctive characteristics. TenCate products are sold throughout the world.

Systems and materials from TenCate come under four areas of application: safety and protection; space and aerospace; infrastructure and the environment; sport and recreation. TenCate occupies leading positions in protective fabrics, composites for space and aerospace, antiballistics, geosynthetics and synthetic turf. TenCate is listed on NYSE Euronext (AMX).

Royal DSM is a global science-based company active in health, nutrition and materials. By connecting its unique competences in Life Sciences and Materials Sciences DSM is driving economic prosperity, environmental progress and social advances to create sustainable value for all stakeholders. DSM delivers innovative solutions that nourish, protect and improve performance in global markets such as food and dietary supplements, personal care, feed, pharmaceuticals, medical devices, automotive, paints, electrical and electronics, life protection, alternative energy and bio-based materials.