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Member of German Parliament Siegfried Walch visits Alzchem: Exchange with representatives of the chemical and paper industry

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Trostberg, July 29, 2025 – On July 24, 2025, local Member of Parliament Siegfried Walch learned about the current challenges facing the paper and chemical industries during a visit to the Trostberg-based companies Hamburger Rieger and Alzchem.

The day began at 9:00 a.m. at the Hamburger Rieger paper mill with a short tour and a discussion with representatives of the Bavarian paper associations. Siegfried Walch then discussed current location policy issues at Alzchem with the Alzchem board members Andreas Niedermaier (CEO), Andreas Lösler (CFO), and Klaus Englmaier (COO) as well as representatives of the Bavarian chemical associations.

A key aspect was the burden placed on European industry by very high regulatory requirements and bureaucratic hurdles such as chemical regulation. "The discussion on the revision of the EU chemicals regulation REACH is unfortunately just one of many symptomatic examples of how excessive and unrealistic EU regulations are currently unnecessarily weakening the competitiveness and resilience of the chemical industry," emphasized Dr. Markus Born, CEO of the Bavarian Chemical Associations. "When it comes to chemicals regulation in particular, we must finally start thinking in terms of value chains and reflect on their effects holistically," Born concluded.

During a joint lunch at Alzchem, attended by representatives from Alzchem, Hamburger Rieger, and the Bavarian Chemical and Paper Associations, the importance of competitive electricity prices for energy-intensive industries in Germany and the region was emphasized:



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"It is urgently necessary that we find a viable solution for permanently competitive energy and electricity prices in order to secure energy-intensive value creation in the long term. For many companies, the decision to locate in Germany is based on an intensive cost-benefit analysis, and energy prices are a decisive factor for our country," emphasized Andreas Niedermaier.

The event ended at around 1:00 p.m. Alzchem thanked all participants for the intensive and constructive dialogue and believes that the local economy and politics are well equipped to tackle the challenges ahead by working together. "With Siegfried Walch, the region can count on a strong advocate for its interests in Berlin," Niedermaier concluded.



Economic dialogue at Alzchem, from left to right: Dr Markus Born (Chief Executive, VCI Bavaria), Dr Piet Christian Sauer (Head of Production Safety/Approval, Alzchem), Dr Cordula Weiß (Communications, VCI Bavaria), Member of the German Bundestag Siegfried Walch, Andreas Niedermaier (CEO, Alzchem), Dr Roland Appel (Managing Director, VCI-LV Bavaria), Andres Lösler (CFO Alzchem), Klaus Englmaier (COO Alzchem) and Dr Sven Hartmann (Production Safety/Approval Alzchem).



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About Alzchem

Alzchem is a leading international specialty chemicals company that provides sustainable solutions to global challenges such as climate change, population growth, defense, and increasing life expectancy. With its comprehensive product range, the company is often the market leader in profitable niche markets in diversified industries. It serves sectors such as human and animal nutrition and agriculture, helping to efficiently meet the growing demand for food. Its own pharmaceutical raw materials and creatine products also support healthy aging. Alzchem is also involved in renewable energies and fine chemicals, produces important raw materials for the defense industry, and guarantees a high level of independence and supply security through its "Made in Germany" production.

With around 1,700 employees at four locations in Germany, a plant in Sweden, and three sales companies in the US, China, and England, Alzchem generated sales of €554.2 million and EBITDA of €105.3 million in 2024.