



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Nanogate wins follow-on contract worth millions from the USA**

**Collaboration with a leading US bathroom fittings company to be continued – Order worth a low seven-digit euro sum – Foreign business still driving growth**

**Göttelborn, 30 May 2011. Nanogate AG (ISIN DE000A0JKHC9), the leading international integrated systems provider for nanosurfaces, is being awarded a follow-on contract worth millions by its major US client. The new agreement has a three-year term and comprises annual minimum sales running well into six digits. The two firms have been working together since 2007.**

Nanogate equips a number of the US manufacturer's product lines with high-performance surfaces. For instance, a transparent protective layer is applied to glass surfaces, which repels water, limescale and dirt. The coating also protects the surface from glass corrosion, as well as being environmentally friendly and easy to clean. Nanogate's client is a leading supplier of bathroom fittings which employs thousands of people around the world. The contract includes distribution of the products enhanced by Nanogate in the NAFTA region (USA, Canada, Mexico). With this project, Nanogate is consolidating its strong position in the buildings/household sector, particularly abroad.

Ralf Zastrau, CEO of Nanogate AG, commented: "The extension of our partnership is testimony to the high quality offered by Nanogate technology. In business terms, households and interiors are among the most attractive areas of application for nanosurfaces. Nanogate expects to extend its position in this growing, high-margin segment. We are already solidly equipped in this area, with a complete technology portfolio and numerous applications in mass production.



In addition to this, our operations abroad will help advance the company's further development considerably."

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Nanogate is the leading international integrated systems provider for nanosurfaces, concentrating primarily on enhancing high-performance surfaces. The firm, which is based in Göttingen (Saarland), enables the programming and integration of additional properties – such as non-stick, antibacterial, anti-corrosive and ultra-low friction – into materials and surfaces. As an enabler, Nanogate gains a competitive edge for its customers by means of product refinement using chemical nanotechnology. Nanogate covers a wide range of industries, functions and substrates. The company thus provides a decisive interface for the commercial use of chemical nanotechnology and bridges the gap between the suppliers of raw materials and industrial conversion into products. In doing so, Nanogate concentrates as an enabler on one of the most attractive segments in the industry. Nanogate has a unique combination of extensive materials expertise paired with comprehensive, first-class process and production know-how. As a systems provider, Nanogate covers the entire value chain, from the purchase of raw materials, to the synthesis and formulation of the material systems, right through to the enhancement and production of the finished surfaces. Nanogate focuses primarily on plastic and metal coatings for all surface types (two and three-dimensional components).

The Nanogate Group currently has approximately 250 employees in all and since commencing operations in 1999 has been a trailblazer in nanotechnology. The company has first-class customer references (e.g. Audi, BMW, Bosch-Siemens Haushaltsgeräte, Junkers, Kärcher, Hörmann Group, Opel and REWE International AG) and many years' experience of different industries and applications. Several hundred projects have already gone into mass production. Nanogate has also entered into strategic cooperations with international companies such as the GEA Group and Dow Corning. Nanogate consists of Nanogate Industrial Solutions GmbH, Eurogard B.V., FNP GmbH for products in the sport/leisure sector, majority stakes in Holmenkol AG and GfO Gesellschaft für Oberflächentechnik AG, and an equity holding in sarastro GmbH.



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