ALPLA Group

Press release

**ALPLA acquires packaging manufacturer Wolf Plastics**

Acquisition to tap new market segments in Central and South-Eastern Europe

*Hard, 20 August 2021 – The ALPLA Group, the global packaging solutions and recycling specialist, is purchasing the Wolf Plastics Group to expand its product portfolio and sees growth potential in Central and South-Eastern Europe.*

In acquiring all the shares in the packaging manufacturer Wolf Plastics Group based in Kammern, Austria, ALPLA intends to use the company’s expertise, in particular in the manufacture of plastic buckets and canisters, to expand its product portfolio. With its three production facilities in Austria, Hungary and Romania, Wolf Plastics is the market leader in its line of business in Central and South-Eastern Europe. The Austrian and Romanian competition authorities are currently examining the proposal. Closure of the deal is subject to regulatory approval.

**Many years of experience, three sites**

The company Wolf Plastics was founded in Kammern in the Austrian federal state of Styria in 1973. It supplies SMEs and international key accounts in the construction, chemical and food industries with buckets, canisters and bottles.

It currently has a workforce of approximately 210 employees across its three sites in Kammern, in Fertőszentmiklós (Hungary) and near Bucharest (Romania). The product range consists of around 400 products.

‘Wolf Plastics has decades of experience in product areas in which we want to increase our representation in order to expand our portfolio and grow in Central and South-Eastern Europe,’ says ALPLA CEO Philipp Lehner. ALPLA Regional Manager CEE Rainer Widmar adds: ‘Sustainability is becoming more and more important in the market segments covered by Wolf Plastics too. This is precisely where we at ALPLA can apply our expertise and our market position.’

The contracting parties have agreed not to disclose the purchase price or any of the details involved. The acquisition deal was signed on 29 July 2021. The acquisition is subject to the legal and regulatory approval of the competent competition authorities.

**About the ALPLA Group**

ALPLA is one of the leading companies involved in plastic packaging. Around 21,600 employees worldwide produce custom-made packaging systems, bottles, caps and moulded parts at 178 sites across 45 countries. The high-quality packaging is used in a wide range of areas, including for food and drinks, cosmetics and care products, household detergents, washing and cleaning agents, pharmaceutical products, engine oils and lubricants.

ALPLA operates its own recycling plants for PET and HDPE in Austria, Poland and Spain, and in the form of joint ventures in Mexico and Germany. Other projects are being realised elsewhere around the world.

**Image captions**

ALPLA\_Wolf\_Plastics-1.jpg: The packaging and recycling specialist ALPLA plans to acquire all the shares in Wolf Plastics. The competition authorities are currently examining the proposal.

ALPLA\_Wolf\_Plastics-2.jpg: Wolf Plastics supplies SMEs and international key accounts in the construction, chemical and food industries with buckets, canisters and bottles.

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