

Press Release

# YPOG advises ALTANA AG on sale of stake in dp polar

**Cologne, August 16, 2022** – A YPOG team led by Johannes Janning and Frederik Gärtner advised ALTANA AG, a global leader in true specialty chemicals, on the sale of its stake in the 3D printing systems manufacturer dp polar, to 3D Systems, a leading Additive Manufacturing (AM) solutions partner.

dp polar, based in Eggenstein-Leopoldshafen near Karlsruhe, develops 3D printing systems for industrial series production based on material jetting technology for the automotive, medical technology, aero-space, mechanical engineering and consumer goods industries. dp polar was founded in 2014 by serial founder Hans Mathea. ALTANA had a stake in dp polar since 2017. The partnership proved to be a very productive combination of dp polar's mechanical engineering development and ALTANA's extensive expertise in developing innovative, resilient 3D printing materials.

As a specialty chemicals company with a core competence in innovative printing material development, ALTANA will continue to further advance and expand its revolutionary, manufacturer-independent Cubic Ink® 3D printing product families for material jetting.

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The ALTANA in-house team was led by Ye Huo (Senior Legal Counsel).

## About ALTANA

ALTANA is a global leader in true specialty chemicals. The Group offers innovative, environmentally compatible solutions for coating manufacturers, paint and plastics processors, the printing and packaging industries, the cosmetics sector, and the electrical and electronics industry. The product range includes additives, specialty coatings and adhesives, effect pigments, sealants and compounds, impregnating resins and varnishes, and testing and measuring instruments. ALTANA's four divisions, BYK, ECKART, ELANTAS, and ACTEGA, all occupy a leading position in their target markets with respect to quality, product solution expertise, innovation, and service. For more information, visit: <u>https://www.altana.de/</u>

## About dp polar

Founded in 2014, dp polar is a technology-oriented company based close to Karlsruhe/Germany. dp polar designs, develops and delivers 3D printing systems for additive mass manufacturing for industrial and healthcare applications. Using its patented High-Speed Rotative AM Process (HSR), it achieves unprecedented industrial AM productivity. They offer a comprehensive solution to automate and productively integrate additive manufacturing into the validatable end-to-end overall process. For more information, visit: <u>www.dppolar.de</u>.

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