



**Dr. Michael Zobel, MBA**

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Michael Zobel was born in Marl, Germany, in 1969. He received a scholarship from the Studienstiftung des Deutschen Volkes e.V. (German National Scholarship Foundation) to study chemistry at the University of Munich (bachelor), and the University of Münster (diploma and Ph.D.).

The Ph.D. chemist and MBA joined Bayer AG in 1997, where he served in a number of responsible positions, such as laboratory and project manager in Research & Development (1997-1999), as Assistant to the Board of Management and as Coordinator for Strategic Planning and M&A Projects of the Bayer Polymers subgroup (2000-2001). He then worked as Project and Change Manager in corporate restructuring projects in the Bayer Group (2002).

In 2003 Zobel participated in a full-time MBA program at Warwick Business School in the UK. Following completion, he assumed global responsibility at Bayer AG for the sales and marketing of general-purpose rubber and rubber chemicals. With the establishment of LANXESS AG as an independent company, Zobel was named Global Product Manager and member of the Executive Management Team of the Rubber Chemicals business unit in mid 2004.

From the beginning of March 2005 he assumed global P&L responsibility for the ion exchange resins business (water treatment technologies) and was a direct report to the LANXESS board of management.

Since October 15, 2010, Dr. Michael Zobel has global P&L responsibility for the LANXESS High Performance Materials business which comprises both engineering plastics based on Polyamide (PA6, PA 6.6) and Polybutylenterephthalate (PBT) for automotive and electronics industry as well as precursors (monomers, basis polymers, glass fibres, fertilizer). In this function he is a direct report to the LANXESS board of management.

Dr. Michael Zobel is married and has one child.

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