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Sulzer unlocks the potential of Sadara's columns

Sulzer Chemtech, specialists in solutions and services for separation and mixing technologies, has completed a range of column revamp projects in record time for the Sadara Chemical Company's (Sadara) chemical complex. The facility is the largest ever built in a single phase and located in Jubail Industrial City II, Saudi Arabia. As a result, the manufacturing plants involved were able to minimize the required shut down days and reduce downtime significantly.

The feedback that Sulzer received from Sadara was very positive. Matti Viitanen, Operations Director for Sadara Isocyanates, stated: "Sulzer's quick identification of the necessary parts as well as its manufacturing and delivery readiness were a big help to us, and is exactly the kind of support we look for in our partners. Given the nature of the tailor-made parts and material requirements, the work done was completed in a very short time and helped to support our return to operations quickly."

Bob Brandt, Vice President of Manufacturing and Engineering at Sadara also commented, saying: "We very much appreciate the support we received from Sulzer. The turnaround time and the quality of service were exemplary and highlights the strong partnership we have."

Vijay Thore, Head Operations –TFS Middle East at Sulzer Chemtech, comments: "Customer satisfaction is a key element for Sulzer and we are committed to delivering every project without compromising on quality. The extraordinary team effort to deliver optimal separation solutions for Sadara and our operational excellence are reflected in the enhanced productivity of the different plants. These contracts are only the beginning and we hope to grow our relationship with Sadara with additional projects."

About Sulzer

Sulzer's core strengths are flow control and applicators. We specialize in pumping solutions and services for rotating equipment, as well as separation, mixing and application technology. The Chemtech division is represented in all important industrial countries and sets standards in the field of mass transfer and static mixing with its advanced and innovative solutions. The product offering ranges from process components to complete separation process plants. The customer support covers engineering services for separation and reaction technology and tower field services to perform tray and packing installation, tower maintenance, welding, and plant turnaround projects. Our customers benefit from a network of over 180 production and service sites around the world. Sulzer has been headquartered in Winterthur, Switzerland, since 1834. In 2017, we achieved sales of roughly CHF 3 billion with around 14'700 employees. Our shares are traded on the SIX Swiss Exchange (SIX: SUN). www.sulzer.com

About Sadara

Sadara is a joint venture developed by the Saudi Arabian Oil Company (Saudi Aramco) and The Dow Chemical Company. Sadara is a multi-billion Dollar world-scale chemical complex in Jubail Industrial City II in Saudi Arabia's Eastern Province. Comprised of 26 world-scale manufacturing units, the Sadara chemical complex is the world's largest to be built in a single phase and is the only chemical company in the Middle East to use refinery liquids, such as naphtha, as feedstock. By using best-in-class technologies to crack refinery liquid feedstock, Sadara will enable many industries that either currently do not exist in Saudi Arabia or only exist through imports of raw materials. The adjacent PlasChem Park, a unique collaboration between Sadara and the Royal Commission for Jubail and Yanbu', will create more value downstream, generating unprecedented investment, innovation, economic growth and thousands of jobs. <https://www.sadara.com>

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Image Captions

Image 1: Sulzer Chemtech is a specialist solution and service provider for separation and mixing technologies for refineries. (Source: Adobe Stock - VanderWolf Images)

Image 2: Sulzer specialist conducting maintenance activities to improve the performance of a vacuum distillation tower.

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