



## **DOTTIKON ES Terminates Short Hours in All Plant Sections**

Dottikon, Switzerland, August 19, 2011 – DOTTIKON ES terminates short hours in all plant sections as of end of September 2011.

The company introduced short hours in some plant sections since the beginning of March 2010 to absorb short-term fluctuations in capacity utilization. Demand at DOTTIKON ES for reliable process development with respect to safety, quality, scalability, and delivery date of process-specific under-developed projects has improved noticeably in the past few months. As a result, an increase in new projects for exclusive synthesis is observed. DOTTIKON ES decided to terminate short hours in all plant sections due to the related improvement in capacity utilization.

As a consequence of long lead times for early-phase new projects, DOTTIKON ES is unchangedly anticipating a year of transition for the current business year 2011/12 with an increase in new projects and expects net sales to be in line with the previous year and again a net loss.

DOTTIKON ES, with its production site in Dottikon (Aargau, Switzerland), is specialized in hazardous chemical reactions and focuses on the exclusive synthesis of fine chemicals for the pharmaceutical and chemical industry worldwide. The product range of DOTTIKON ES includes active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) and pharmaceutical intermediates as well as in-house-developed, high-value industrial chemicals.

DOTTIKON ES HOLDING AG is listed at the SIX Swiss Exchange.

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