



## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Nanogate presents new products at Automechanika Saarbrücken nanotechnology company extends systems competence in the automotive field**

**Saarbrücken/Frankfurt, 15 September 2006. Nanotechnology company Nanogate AG is improving its market potential in the automotive industry. Along with its partners it presented two new products processed by nanotechnology at the Automechanika trade fair.**

Nanogate Technology<sup>®</sup> is increasingly used in products for vehicle care and is sold throughout Europe by well-known brand-name producers, mainly to specialist dealers and vehicle workshops. A new dirt-repellent system for surfaces such as seat upholstery is currently being launched on the market. Unlike conventional solutions, the Nanogate system offers lasting protection that is achieved by nanotechnological processing. In addition, Nanogate partners are for the first time showing a new paint sealant that provides protection for damaged paintwork in particular and is especially easy to use. This does away with the need for laborious manual polishing.

"These two new products confirm our enormous innovation potential in the automotive field. A variety of partner companies' products that have been processed using Nanogate Technology<sup>®</sup> are now on the market," said Nanogate AG's CEO Ralf Zastrau. "At Automechanika alone, more than ten companies are presenting products based on our competence. We will continue growing in this lucrative, high-volume segment." Items already available on the market include products for windscreens, wheel rims, leather and plastic surfaces.



Queries? Please feel free to contact:

**Christian Dose**

equinet Communications AG  
Tel. +49 (0)69 5899 7313  
Fax +49 (0)69 5899 7349  
christian.dose@equinet-ag.de

**Nanogate AG**

Gewerbepark Eschbergerweg  
D-66121 Saarbrücken  
Tel. +49 (0)681 980 52-0  
Fax +49 (0)681 980 52-52  
www.nanogate.com

**Marita Leykauf/Klaus Reuning**

MPW Finance Public & Investor Relations GmbH  
nanogate@mpwfinance.com

**Background information:**

**Nanogate AG**

Nanogate is a leading international enabler in the nanotechnology growth market and so opens the gate to nanotechnology for its customers. The Saarbrücken-based company enables the programming and integration of additional properties such as non-stick, anti-bacterial, anti-corrosive, ultra-low friction. Nanogate thereby gains a competitive edge for customers by product refinement using chemical nanotechnology. Nanogate covers a wide range of industries, functions and substrates, forming a crucial interface for the commercialisation of chemical nanotechnology. It bridges the gap between raw materials and their industrial conversion into products and concentrates as an enabler on the most economically attractive segment in the industry.

As a partner in innovation, Nanogate provides many services along the value chain – from development and production of innovative nanocomposites and nanostructured materials to powerful support for innovation and product integration. Nanogate currently has 45 employees and since commencing operations in 1999 has been a pioneer in nanotechnology. The company has first-class customer references and many years' experience of different industries and applications. Nanogate is a high-growth company and has been profitable since financial year 2004. It was recently chosen as one of the top three up-and-coming companies at the Deutscher Gründerpreis 2006 awards. The Group's consolidation entity also includes Nanogate Advanced Materials GmbH, which specialises in safety engineering and optics in a joint venture with US corporation Air Products. Nanogate also holds a stake in HOLMENKOL Sport-Technologies GmbH & Co. KG.