

Press release

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Hygienic interior specialists Polysto Group and Hydewa join forces

Polysto Group, a leading Belgian specialist for strong and durable solutions for hygienic constructions, and its German sector partner Hydewa GmbH are excited to announce a strategic partnership.

Hydewa, renowned for its long-standing expertise in premium fiberglass-reinforced (FRP) panel solutions for clean and controlled environments, excels in designing and manufacturing technically advanced hygienic surface systems. Through this partnership, Polysto Group and Hydewa will operate as sister companies, combining their strengths to reinforce their market position and significantly expand their ability to deliver high performance, tailor-made hygiene solutions across different end markets. Operating together under a unified vision for durability and quality, the combined group will bring enhanced capabilities and a broader portfolio to the market.



Hydewa premises in Weidenberg (Germany)



Polysto premises in Lokeren (Belgium)

In May 2025, Polysto Group took an important step in its growth trajectory by attracting Sofindev Private Equity Partners – a reputable investment company known for supporting ambitious companies, entrepreneurs and management teams – as a shareholder alongside its own management team. Today, the shareholders are further reinforcing that commitment by supporting the Group's continued growth and strategic ambitions, marking another milestone in their long-term partnership.

Hydewa: Specialist fulfilling the highest hygiene requirements

Hydewa, headquartered in Germany, has built a strong reputation as a pioneering expert in hygienic FRP panel systems for clean and controlled environments. Best known for its high performance, fiberglass-reinforced panels with exceptional durability and hygiene properties, Hydewa has become a trusted partner for industries requiring strict sanitary conditions. Hydewa has a particularly strong presence in key industry-leading markets such as Germany, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, and several others. Over the years, Hydewa has expanded its portfolio from specialized food processing and cold storage applications to fully integrated hygienic wall and ceiling systems for a wide variety of sectors. With decades of technical expertise and a commitment to continuous innovation, Hydewa consistently delivers robust, futureproof products that meet the highest standards of cleanliness, safety, and performance.

Polysto: Strong international footprint in hygienic construction

Polysto Group, founded in Belgium over three decades ago, has grown into a leading specialist in the design, production and installation of hygienic interior solutions for high compliance environments. The company is widely recognized for its durable wall protection systems and turnkey hygienic finishing concepts used across the food industry, pharmaceuticals, and other sectors where safety and cleanliness are paramount. Polysto Group ensures total unburdening of its clients by offering a complete range of walls, ceilings, collision protection (including the patented kerb *CleanRock*) and accessories. In 2025, investment company Sofindev joined Polysto Group to support its ambitious growth strategy, reinforcing the company's strong market position while enabling further expansion of its product portfolio and international reach. Today, Polysto Group continues to build on its reputation as a proactive, solution driven partner – guiding customers from concept to installation with practical, tailor-made hygiene solutions designed for long term performance.

Partnership based on quality and durability

With this new partnership, Polysto Group and Hydewa become the European market leader in hygienic finishing solutions, with an expanded global footprint.

Jasper De Jaeger, CEO of Polysto Group, explains: *“The partnership between Hydewa and Polysto will further strengthen our commercial presence both within and beyond the Benelux and DACH regions, leveraging each other’s geographical reach and market expertise. While we will operate together under one umbrella, both companies will continue to uphold their own identity, culture, and operational autonomy, while benefitting from the combined strength, complementary capabilities, and shared ambition this partnership brings.”*

Tyler Pinney and Harald Gradwohl (co-founders of Hydewa) and Martin Greiner (Managing Director of Hydewa) add: *“With Polysto Group, we have found a partner whose DNA and passion for durable hygienic solutions fully aligns with ours at Hydewa. Together, we will preserve the unique cultures of both companies while reinforcing our shared focus on customer centricity, always putting our clients and our people first. As we enter this next phase, Hydewa’s operational management will gradually transition to a new generation of leadership – supported by the original founders and working closely with the management team of Polysto Group to ensure long-term strategic alignment.”*

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