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## Following European Commission authorization, Imerys confirms the completion of Kerneos acquisition by end of July

Imerys announces that it has received on June 20 the unreserved approval of the European Commission on the proposed acquisition of Kerneos. Relevant workers councils already gave a favorable opinion on this operation.

The completion of this acquisition is now subject to only the receipt of a final regulatory authorization in South Africa. As announced on December 11, finalization of the operation is expected to take place by end of July.

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*The world leader in mineral-based specialty solutions for industry, with €4.2 billion revenue and close to 16,000 employees, Imerys delivers high value-added, functional solutions to a great number of sectors, from processing industries to consumer goods. The Group draws on its knowledge of applications, technological expertise and its material science know-how to deliver resources based on beneficiation of its mineral resources, synthetic minerals and formulations. These contribute essential properties to customers' products and performance, including refractoriness, hardness, conductivity, opacity, durability, purity, lightness, filtration, absorption and repellency. Imerys is determined to develop responsibly, in particular by fostering the emergence of environmentally-friendly products and processes.*

*More comprehensive information about Imerys may be obtained from its website ([www.imerys.com](http://www.imerys.com)) under Regulated Information, particularly in its Registration Document filed with Autorité des marchés financiers on March 21, 2017 under number D.17-0190 (also available from the Autorité des marchés financiers website, [www.amf-france.org](http://www.amf-france.org)). Imerys draws the attention of investors to chapter 4, "Risk Factors and Internal Control", of its Registration Document.*

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