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### **MAT Holding celebrates the incorporation of the historic Quart de Poblet factory into its IQV division**

- **MAT Holding Group**, a provider of solutions and technologies for sustainable and efficient water and agriculture management, strengthens its growth plan through IQV with the incorporation of the Quart de Poblet factory, acquired from Bayer.
  - **IQV (Industrias Químicas del Vallés)** strengthens its position in plant health and reinforces its commitment to the Valencian territory, where it already has a formulation and packaging plant in Cheste.
  - **The Mayor of Quart de Poblet, Cristina Mora**, celebrates the company's commitment to employment and sustainability.
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**Quart de Poblet, 17 June 2024** - MAT Holding has celebrated the incorporation of the historic Quart de Poblet plant into the group, acquired from Bayer in an operation signed on 31 May. The event was attended by the Mayor of Quart de Poblet, Cristina Mora, and Bartolomé Nofuentes, Councillor for Urban Planning, along with the President of MAT Holding, Pau Relat, and the General Manager of IQV, Jordi Crespi, as well as a hundred people, including staff from Quart de Poblet and members of IQV Cheste, IQV Mollet, and MAT Holding.

“At the Quart de Poblet Town Hall, we foster relationships that go beyond merely institutional ties and appreciate the willingness of IQV and MAT Holding Group to participate in this dynamic. We have common goals: employment, sustainability, proximity, and excellence, so I am confident that this new commitment to the Valencian territory, and specifically to Quart de Poblet, will be highly successful,” said Mora.

The President of the group, Pau Relat, highlighted MAT Holding's long-term vision and commitment to transforming and leaving a legacy in a strategic sector such as agriculture and in the territories where it operates. Relat recalled the investment made by IQV in 2004 with the purchase of the Cheste factory, which has doubled its workforce since then, and expressed the same willingness to invest and grow in Quart de Poblet.

For his part, Jordi Crespi celebrated the incorporation of the Quart de Poblet plant as a milestone in IQV's growth, which will allow it to consolidate itself as a reference tolling specialist in Southern Europe and undertake greater production of biorationals. Crespi

welcomed the 69 workers who are joining the MAT Holding family, which now exceeds 1,200 people in total.

The acquisition of the Quart de Poblet plant is part of MAT Holding's strategic growth plan, which will make investments worth 60 million euros in 2024, aimed at globally strengthening the group's two divisions, which provide solutions and technologies for sustainable and efficient water and agriculture management. The group, chaired by Pau Relat, thus triples its investment pace of recent years, with the goal of reaching a sales volume of 500 million euros within five years, positioning it as a global leader in sustainable agriculture solutions and efficient water management.

### **About MAT Holding and IQV**

**MAT Holding** is a multinational Spanish group of family origin dedicated to the care of agriculture and water through solutions that promote sustainability, efficiency, and profitability in agricultural and water management. With over 85 years of history and sales in more than 140 countries, MAT Holding is a leader in sustainable agriculture with companies such as IQV (plant health), Regaber (professional irrigation), VEGGA (digital management of crops and estates), and the new agricultural estate modernisation business Terra Nostra, as well as in the water sector with brands like Aquestia (liquid conduction and control), STF (filtration), and Hidroglobal (hydraulic projects). MAT Holding has its headquarters in Spain and a team of over 1,200 people worldwide. In 2023, the group recorded sales of 336 million euros.

**IQV**, founded in 1935, is a world leader in plant health solutions based on copper salts. It has production centres in Mollet del Vallés (Barcelona) and Cheste and Quart de Poblet (Valencia), is present in 70 countries across five continents, and has subsidiaries in Spain, Portugal, Italy, Turkey, Morocco, Chile, and El Salvador. More information is available at <http://iqvagro.com>.

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