Press release

**BASF optimizes power plant utilization with ProCom solutions ITA and BoFiT**

**IT solutions from Aachen-based consultancy cut energy costs**

**Aachen (Germany), 19th December 2016 –** The rollout of ProCom’s ITA and BoFiT IT solutions at BASF’s site in Ludwigshafen (Germany) creates the basis for more effective power plant management. The ITA tool helps companies in the energy and industrial sectors to monitor and manage their asset portfolios, detect changes in generation and consumption and respond with suitable actions. BoFiT helps companies to optimize the operating costs of their asset portfolios, based on actual data, conditions and constraints. Limitations, such as provision of a sufficient amount of steam, are also taken into account in the optimization of operational electricity supply. This allows the flexible capacity of the facilities to be utilized optimally and offered on the intraday market.

Thanks to close data meshing between the ProCom solutions and the BASF power plant control center, all relevant planning processes run automatically. The ProCom solutions are now being integrated into the control system, enabling an even higher degree of automation and direct coupling of operating schedule data to the power plants. BASF expects to achieve considerable cost savings with the ProCom solutions.

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This power plant at BASF’s Ludwigshafen site generates electricity and heat for the production facilities with very high efficiency. (Photo: BASF SE)

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