Gattefossé advances integrated water management across all its industrial operations in France

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Gattefossé, a leading supplier of specialty ingredients for the beauty and health industries, is strengthening its environmental performance through Poseidon, a cross-functional program that integrates water management across the entire product life cycle. From product design to manufacturing and end-of-life, the program demonstrates how responsible science can deliver measurable environmental impact while supporting industrial performance.

Poséidon: embedding responsible water management into every stage of production

Water is a strategic resource for Gattefossé's industrial activities, primarily used in equipment cleaning and manufacturing processes. Poseidon is built on the ambition to make water efficiency a core industrial practice rather than an isolated initiative.

The program focuses on three complementary pillars:

- Reducing water withdrawals by optimizing manufacturing and cleaning cycles
- Maximizing the reuse of water and energy already mobilized in production processes
- Integrating water considerations at the design stage, through eco-design principles

This approach mobilizes teams across R&D, HSE, Quality, Production and Industrial Maintenance, driving long-term changes in operational practices and fostering a shared culture of continuous improvement.

"Poseidon reflects Gattefossé's commitment to protecting water resources, a key environmental and societal responsibility for industrial players. This program is fully aligned with our CSR roadmap, Gatt'Up&Act, and addresses one of our priority environmental challenges,"

Laurent Schubnel, Group CSR Leader at Gattefossé.

Measurable results and collective momentum

Beyond environmental gains, Poseidon has transformed industrial practices by actively engaging teams on the ground. Operator training, reassessment of existing standards and the testing of new cleaning methods have helped to embed water management sustainably into daily operations.

"Poseidon has reshaped operating procedures while improving the reliability of our installations. The project demonstrates that reducing water use can go hand in hand with industrial performance, through responsible innovation that reflects Gattefossé's purpose: We stand for caring science,"

Elisa ROPAGNOL, Group Director of Industrial Operations at Gattefossé.

Key figures – Poseidon program, Gattefossé Headquarters workshops, France

- **–14%** water consumption per ton produced over two years
- **800,000 liters** of water saved in 2024 through optimized production campaigns
- **400,000 liters** saved via optimized cooling system shutdowns
- **32% reduction in gas consumption** thanks to heat recovery
- **–60% to –80% expected water savings** for industrial cleaning with the deployment of CIP (Cleaning-In-Place) systems
- **€2.2 million in planned investments (2026–2027)** to scale up the initiative

Building a more resilient industrial model

With Poseidon, Gattefossé reinforces its vision of an industry where **innovation, environmental responsibility and operational excellence progress together.** A new investment phase starting in 2026 will further reduce the company's water footprint and strengthen the resilience of its industrial sites.

Recognition in France

Poseidon was recently recognized in France with an Environmental Award as part of the Responsible Care program led by the French chemical industry. This distinction highlights the program's structured approach, measurable results and contribution to sustainable industrial practices.

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About Gattefossé

The Gattefossé Group is a community of employees, animated by the same drivers: the performance of its products and the personalized support of its customers.

Gattefossé develops, manufactures and sells **pharmaceutical excipients and cosmetic ingredients of natural origin** for the beauty and health industries worldwide, through its 12 affiliated companies and network of global agents and distributors in 90 countries.

Specialist **in lipid chemistry and plant chemistry**, Gattefossé offers recognized expertise in formulation using its **4 Technical Centers of Excellence** in France, China, India and the United States.

Environmental and social issues have always been part of the culture of this **French and independent family business**, founded in Lyon in **1880**. Today, Gattefossé relies on a purposeful **CSR approach, Gatt'Up&Act**, to build its innovation and development strategy.

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