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POLYTAN AND MELOS JOIN FORCES FOR THE FIRST TIME AT FSB 2025

- Stronger together at FSB 2025: Polytan and Melos make their first joint appearance as one team – with Melos integrated into the Polytan portfolio as the world's leading premium brand for high-quality granules.
- Innovation meets sustainability: At FSB, Polytan will showcase cutting-edge, eco-friendly sports surface solutions together with FormaTurf, SYNlawn and Melos.

As the international trade fair for public spaces, sports and leisure facilities opens its doors in Cologne, Polytan GmbH and Melos GmbH will be appearing side by side for the first time. This closer collaboration marks a key step in the group's strategic realignment: Melos is being incorporated into the Polytan brand portfolio.

“By integrating Melos into the Polytan brand world, we are uniting decades of material expertise and top quality under one roof,” says Mathias Schmidt, Managing Director of Polytan GmbH. “This allows us to deliver even more comprehensively on our promise: everything from a single source – with premium quality guaranteed.”

A Strong Portfolio for Every Sports Surface

In addition to our established synthetic turf brands – LigaTurf, LigaGrass and Poligras – our polymer systems division is expanding with another strong name. Under the Polytan umbrella, we now unite a comprehensive range of product lines: **Rekortan**, our high-performance surface for athletics tracks; **PolyPlay**, the safe and versatile option for playgrounds and multisport areas; **Laykold**, a premium coating designed for tennis, padel and pickleball courts; and **Melos**, the leading brand for top-quality EPDM granules. Together, these brands form a complete portfolio of professional polymer surfaces for sport and recreation.

“With Melos joining the Polytan family, we are combining innovation and sustainability in a way that will have a lasting impact on the sports surface market,” adds Dominic Jünemann, Head of Polytan Distribution.

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As part of the integration, the Unirubber production site and trade brand will also be consolidated under Melos to leverage synergies in R&D and manufacturing, further strengthening expertise in modern polymer technologies.

Melos – Premium Quality from Melle

Based in Melle, Lower Saxony, Melos GmbH has long been recognised as a global leader in coloured plastics and EPDM rubber granules. Containing over 20% pure EPDM, the granules are distinguished by exceptional elasticity, tensile strength and crack resistance.

Thanks to their optimal material density, colour consistency and weather resistance, Melos granules ensure uniform, durable and high-quality surfaces – from athletics tracks and multisport facilities to playgrounds and courts.

With 28 standard colours, a digital Granules Designer for colour mixes and the Stylemaker tool for creative floor motifs, Melos offers architects, designers and operators almost unlimited design freedom.

FSB 2025: Experience Colour, Innovation and Sustainability First-Hand

Under one joint banner, **Polytan, Melos, FormaTurf and SYNlawn** will present their latest product innovations – all united by a clear focus on sustainability, performance and design.

A highlight of the stand will be the **PolyPlay Arena GT**, the most sustainable mini pitch to date. Visitors can test it live at the fair on the *Sportstättenrechner* area. The field impresses not only with its playability but also with its **FormaTurf perimeter boards**, made entirely from recycled artificial turf – a perfect example of circular economy in sports construction.

Polytan will also showcase **Rekortan GEL GT**, the first gel-based athletics track surface made with renewable raw materials. Certified by World Athletics for elite competition, it combines environmental responsibility with peak performance.

Another innovation in the spotlight is the **LigaTurf Cross Next R**, a next-generation football turf offering exceptional density and resilience to meet professional-level demands.

SYNLawn will bring sporting excitement to the booth as well: visitors can test their swing on the **Precision Putt** in the TGL golf simulator. They can also discover the **TrueStop** system for golf facilities and the new **SYNNatural 50 GTR** landscaping turf – the same surface that impressed fans in Berlin's Fan Zone.

At **FormaTurf**, everything revolves around the sustainable circular economy. The company will present 100% recycled products made from end-of-life artificial turf, including two new highlights: the **TrionStein** – a versatile edging stone – and the **Flexblock**, used among other things for the boards of the PolyPlay Arena GT.

Melos will celebrate colour in all its forms, displaying its vast palette of 28 standard hues and a wide variety of granule types that open up endless, creative and long-lasting design possibilities for sports and leisure surfaces.

Together, these brands demonstrate how **innovation and sustainability go hand in hand** – and how tomorrow's sports facility solutions are already becoming reality today.

About Polytan

Providing the optimal surface for athletic success – Polytan has pursued this aim with its sports flooring and artificial turf systems since 1969. What's more, sustainability and environmental compatibility have always been a top priority for us here at Polytan. The spectrum ranges from environmentally friendly raw materials and energy conservation during the manufacturing processes to the recycling of the surfaces. In line with its motto of "We make sport. Greener.", Polytan is continuously and effectively improving the future of sports flooring. Polytan's Green Technology line (GT) is the result of years of research and signals a new generation of state-of-the-art products and processes that combines specialised expertise with the functional and ecological benefits of renewable raw materials and resource-saving technologies.

Polytan's portfolio is built for disciplines such as football, hockey, rugby, American football, athletics, tennis and multisport, and even offers fall protection. As well as developing, manufacturing and installing sports surfaces, Polytan also offers line painting, repair, cleaning and maintenance as part of its range of services. Polytan provides the largest sports surface installation network in Europe, the Middle East, Asia and the Pacific. All products comply with the current national and international standards, and have all the relevant certifications of international sporting associations, such as FIFA, FIH, World Rugby and World Athletics.

Further information is available online: www.polytan.com, www.granules.melos.com/en, www.formaturf.com/en and www.synlawn.com/eur/.

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FSB 2025: Polytan, Melos, SYNlawn und FormaTurf united for the future of sports surfaces.



Innovative recycling products from **FormaTurf**

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POLIGRAS®

Laykold®

Rekortan®

POLYPLAY®



PolyPlay Arena GT with perimeter boards made from recycled turf



Rekortan GEL GT – the most sustainable track surface made with bio-based materials

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Melos premium EPDM granules in 28 standard colours



SYNLawn is the official surface partner of TGL

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