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The Lenzing Group will transfer 60 percent of its shares in Business Unit Paper and the control of the business to a group of investors around core investor Ernst Brunbauer (Gmunden, Austria) with the beginning of March. Lenzing AG will keep the remaining 40 percent. A corresponding declaration of intent has already been signed and a final framework agreement will be signed with the group of investors this week. The new majority shareholder will operate Lenzing Paper at its site, Lenzing (Austria), as an independent business.

The decision is a consistent continuation of Lenzing's strategic focus on innovative cellulose fiber products, high-quality synthetic special fibers and thermoplastics. Lenzing expands dynamically in these two segments. The Group is world market leader in cellulose fibers and has acquired four companies in plastics in 2007 alone.

Lenzing Paper is the smallest business unit of the Lenzing Group, with an annual production of 80,000 tons of specialty papers (envelope, poster and recycled paper) and a turnover of about EUR 60 mill. The current staff of about 130 will be taken over by the new majority shareholder.

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