# **The Borealis Way**

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## **Borealis at a glance**

- Leading provider of innovative, value creating plastics solutions
- More than 40 years of experience
- Unique Borstar® technology to develop polyolefin solutions that are tailored to customers' needs
- Developing our Base Chemicals business
- 5,400 employees in around 20 countries
- Ownership 64% IPIC / 36% OMV
- Joint venture in Middle East and Asia: Borouge (Abu Dhabi)





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## **Borealis and Borouge locations**

#### **Borealis Locations** 0

#### Customer Service Centres

Abu Dhabi, Austria, Belgium, Finland, Germany, Italy, Russia, Singapore, Turkey, United States

#### **Production Plants**

Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Finland, Germany, Italy, Sweden, United States

**Innovation Centres** Austria, Finland, Sweden

**Head Office** Austria

#### Borouge Locations

**Customer Service Centres** Abu Dhabi (UAE), China, India, Singapore

#### Sales Offices

Abu Dhabi (UAE), Australia, China, Lebanon, New Zealand, Saudi Arabia

Abu Dhabi (UAE), Singapore

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**Production Plants** Ruwais (UAE) **Head Offices** 23 May 2009



## **Global polyolefin producers 2008: Borealis no. 8 and no. 2 in Europe**

Nameplate capacity 2008, ktpa



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## **Providing solutions in Polyolefins**



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## Automotive: Light Weight Rear Seat Carrier (BMW 7-series)

#### The challenge

- Increasing pressure on better fuel efficiency by weight saving
- Fulfilling demanding safety requirements for Seats

#### The solution

- High Performance short glass fibre PP
- Material suitable for film blowing, extrusion and injection moulding

#### The benefits

- High dimensional stability
- Weight saving of approx. 35%



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## **Investments in Europe**

- Burghausen, Germany: Inauguration of Borstar® PP 2Gplant
- Stenungsund, Sweden: low density PE plant on track for start-up in late 2009
- Schwechat, Austria: Four-reactor configuration of PP plant completed and Borstar® PP pilot plant on track for start-up in 2009
- Linz, Austria: Groundbreaking of international Innovation Headquarters



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## **Expansion in the Middle East and Asia**

- Good performance of Borouge, advancing reputation and business in the Middle East and Asia
- Borouge 2 on track for start-up in 2010, expand production capacity from 600,000 t/y of PE to 2 million t/y of both PE and PP
- Groundbreaking for 2 new logistic hubs in Shanghai and Guangzhou, China
- New compounding unit to be built in Shanghai
- Feasibility study for Borouge 3 to add an additional 2.5 million t/y of capacity



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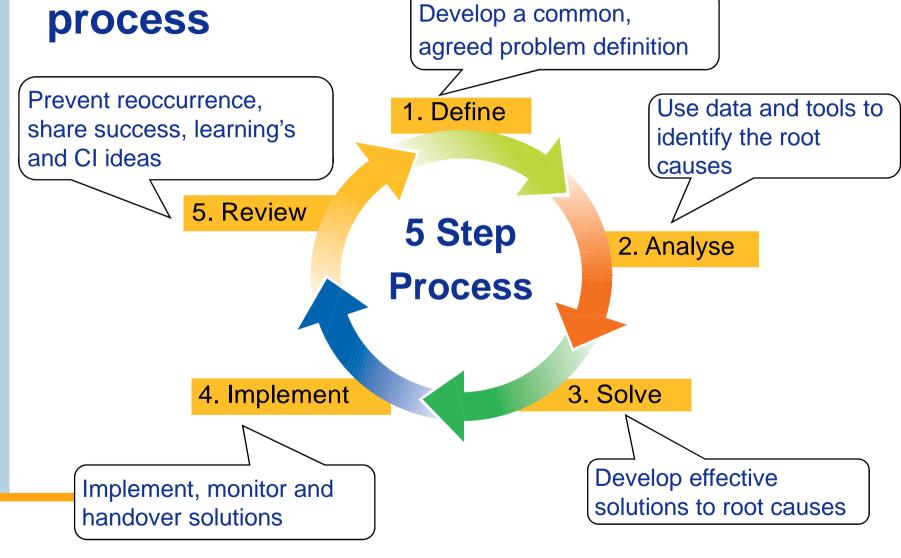
## **How Do We Currently Solve Problems?**

Often We 'Solve' a Problem Only to Have It Happen Again - We Are Tackling the Symptoms of the Problem Rather Than the Root Cause

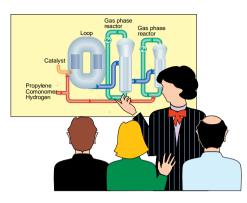


# We are fire fighting!

# A structured Team-based improvement



## **Step 1 - Define**



### **Objectives**

- Agreed, common view of the problem definition
- An agreed, common view of the approach and time frame to solve the problem
- A clear idea of the project objectives

#### **Outcomes**

- A project charter, agreed between the team and the sponsor
- A process map and some information about the problem, where appropriate

## **Step 2 - Analyse**

### **Objectives**

Identify the root cause(s) of the problem

#### **Outcomes**

• An interim report detailing the root causes found

Supporting data and analysis



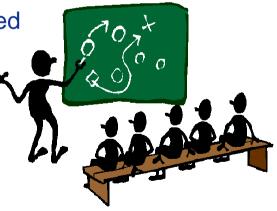
## **Step 3 - Solve**

### **Objectives**

- Identify possible solutions
- Select the best solution to eliminate the root causes found
- Business case for implementing the solutions

### **Outcomes**

- An implementation plan
- A business case to sell the solutions developed
- Supporting information



## **Step 4 - Implement**

### **Objectives**

- Implement the solutions
- Monitor the results
- Measure actual against predicted benefits

### **Outcomes**

- Successfully implemented solutions
- Proof of results



## **Step 5 - Review**

### **Objectives**

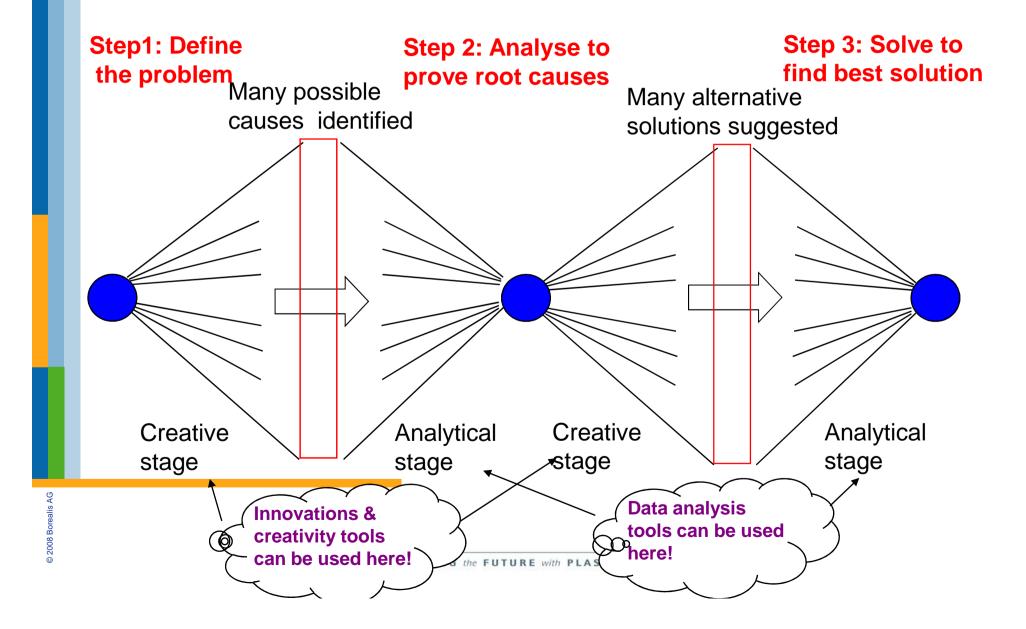
- Close off project and agree benefits
- Identify any further work
- Share learning

### **Outcomes**

- Close out report
- Communication of project outcomes to appropriate forums



## The heart of The Borealis Way



## **Personal impressions**

- Wide spread, interesting range of topics
- Very positive for personal development
- Contact to other companies
- Very open discussions in our small goup of 10 people
- Valuable contacts, meetings after course was finished

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