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KANEKA CORPORATION

Kaneka to Participate in the "G20 Innovation Exhibition for Earth, Society and the Future"

Kaneka Corporation will introduce "Kaneka Biodegradable Polymer PHBH" ("PHBH") at the "G20 Innovation Exhibition for Earth, Society and the Future" (the "G20 Innovation Exhibition") held in Karuizawa Prince Shopping Plaza from June 14 to 16, 2019.

PHBH is 100% bio-based biodegradable polymer developed by Kaneka. It decomposes into carbon dioxide (CO₂) and water in natural environments. Particularly in recent years, marine pollution by micro-plastics has been a global social issue, raising concerns about possible effects on the ecosystems. With "OK Biodegradable MARINE *1" certification that guarantees biodegradability in seawater obtained, Kaneka contributes to the realization of a sustainable, environmental friendly society through the development of biodegradable polymer PHBH.

G20 Innovation Exhibition, hosted by Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and Ministry of the Environment, will be held in conjunction with the G20 Ministerial Meeting on Energy Transitions and Global Environment for Sustainable Growth*2. The exhibition will present the state-of-the-art Japanese energy and environmental technologies on the theme of hydrogen energy, countermeasures for marine plastic litter and innovation.

Venue: Karuizawa Prince Shopping Plaza (Karuizawa, Kitasaku District, Nagano)

Schedule: Friday, 14 to Sunday, 16 June, 2019

Hosted by: Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and Ministry of the Environment

Participation fees: Free

Official Website: <https://www.g20karuizawa.go.jp/en/exhibition/outline/>

*1. The "OK Biodegradable MARINE" certificate was issued in September 2017 by Vincotte, an international certifying body headquartered in Belgium. TÜV AUSTRIA Belgium NV took over the certification work from Vincotte in December 2017.

*2. G20 Ministerial Meeting hosted by Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry and Ministry of the Environment to discuss energy transitions and global environment for the sustainable development of the world.

