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### Tonsan Opens World's Largest Dedicated Photovoltaic Sealant Factory

**SUZHOU, CHINA — January 2011** — Christopher Associates announces that Tonsan, Asia's leading manufacturer of photovoltaic sealants and potting compounds, held an opening ceremony attended by more than 500 of Asia's top manufacturers, suppliers, and other industry leaders at its new, dedicated photovoltaic sealants factory in China's Suzhou County.

Numerous industry and government leaders, including Zhao Yu Wen, Chairman of the Chinese Renewable Energy Society, and Guang Chun Zhang, Senior Vice President of Suntech, the world's largest solar energy manufacturer, spoke at the opening ceremony, which was held on Friday, December 17, 2010.

Later that day, Tonsan hosted a technical conference at the Dyna Sun Hotel where speakers from TÜV, DuPont, Huber + Suhner and other industry leaders delivered a range of papers discussing issues facing the photovoltaic manufacturing community.

With more than 1,000,000 sq ft of manufacturing plant and laboratories, the new factory features state-of-the-art equipment, research tools and other related technology. A full-scale applications laboratory and long-term reliability test center allow Tonsan to conduct leading-edge research into photovoltaic and related materials applications.

Locating additional capacity and R&D assets in Suzhou allows Tonsan, the world's largest manufacturer of sealants and related materials for solar applications, to better serve both local and overseas customers while meeting demand for present and future growth of the industry.



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