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PRESS RELEASE

3A Composites Core Materials garners three Sacha Awards for Sustainable Forestry and Wood Innovation

Quito, Ecuador – November 16. 3A Composites Core Materials, a renowned supplier of structural materials, particularly acclaimed for its BALTEK® balsa wood, has been recognized for its unwavering commitment to sustainable forestry and wood innovation. The company was honored with three prestigious Sacha Awards, competing among a diverse pool of projects.

These accolades underscore the company's dedication to sustainability and its role in forest innovation, showcasing its positive impact on developing sustainable solutions for the industry. The Sacha Awards, a significant biennial initiative in the fight against climate change, supported by leaders in the forestry sector and collaborators from both the public and private spheres, have attracted widespread participation from projects and participants across 30 countries. This platform has fostered effective collaboration among 70 diverse organizations, including guilds, academic institutions, universities, and research centers.

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3A Composites Core Materials takes second place in *Ecosystem Services* subcategory *Regulatory Services* for innovative “Airport Forest Project”

In the Ecosystem Services category, 3A Composites Core Materials, in collaboration with its Quito Airport alliance partner, Corporación Quiport S.A., received the coveted second place for its innovative “Airport Forest Project” in the *Regulatory Services* category. This groundbreaking project aims to restore and conserve a vast 72 hectares of native forest near the airport, fostering the mitigation of climate change impacts and enhancing air quality.

3A Composites Core Materials secures third place in *Ecosystem Services* subcategory *Support Services* for impactful “Maintains Values” Project

Furthermore, 3A Composites Core Materials secured the third place in the *Support Services* subcategory of the *Ecosystem Services* for its impactful “Maintains Values”. This project is dedicated to promoting involves pre-silvicultural monitoring and zoning of forest units, aligned with

the company's principles. The initiative encompasses multidisciplinary assessments, engaging stakeholders, and studying the area's diverse flora and fauna.

3A Composites Core Materials receives *Special Photography Award* for “The Gentle Giant” Project

Adding to its remarkable achievements, 3A Composites Core Materials received a prestigious *Special Photography Award* for its project titled “The Gentle Giant” which beautifully captures the essence of the balsa tree, representing an progeny assay of Ecuador's emblematic arboreal icon.

The accolades stand as a testament to 3A Composites Core Materials' steadfast dedication to environmental conservation. The company takes immense pride in contributing to projects that preserve Ecuador's precious natural resources and promote a harmonious coexistence with the environment.

“We are incredibly honored to receive these prestigious Sacha Awards, acknowledging our dedication to sustainable forestry and the SDGs at 3A Composites Core Materials. Our focus remains on leveraging expertise to develop and implement solutions that protect our planet's invaluable resources.



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**About 3A Composites Core Materials**

3A Composites Core Materials is a global organizational unit within the 3A Composites Group, a part of Schweiter Technologies (SIX Swiss Exchange: SWTQ), with operations in Europe, North and South America, China, and Papua New Guinea. With more than 80 years of experience in sandwich technology, its broad portfolio of high-performing and sustainable core materials allows partners worldwide manufacturing more durable, sustainable, and energy-efficient end products.

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