

Diehl Brass Solutions awarded in sustainability rating by EcoVadis

The company has been rated for its sustainability performance by EcoVadis and receives the silver medal. Topics from the areas of environmental protection, labor rights and human rights, as well as ethics and sustainable procurement were considered.

Diehl Brass Solutions was again awarded for its sustainability performance by EcoVadis, one of the best-known platforms for sustainability ratings. The company's final score of 68 out of 100 points is well above the average (45 points). This puts the semi finished products manufacturer among the top 8% of companies assessed by EcoVadis and improves its ranking from bronze to silver compared to the previous year.

"We are very happy with this great result, as it reflects our constant commitment to sustainable corporate development," Heinz Strobl, CEO of Diehl Brass Solutions, commented on the positive score.

Melissa Lederer, Sustainability Manager at the Diehl Metall subgroup, adds: "Achieving this good result was only possible thanks to the successful cooperation of a wide range of specialist departments such as HR, Occupational Safety, Energy Procurement, IT and the Environmental Officers. In this way, it was also possible to further increase internal awareness towards sustainability throughout the company when answering the questionnaires."

More than 100,000 companies in over 175 countries have now been assessed via the EcoVadis platform, which is taking a holistic view of sustainability into its evaluation. Besides the companies' environmental performance, criteria from the social and governance areas are also included. The evaluation covers four topics: environmental, labor and human rights as well as ethics and sustainable procurement.

Diehl Brass Solutions has already been using various platforms for self-auditing (desktop audits) with regard to sustainability for several years – in addition to EcoVadis and NQC Supplier Assurance, the rating on the well-known CDP* (Carbon Disclosure Project) platform was added last year. "Transparency in all our processes is an important concern for us. These ratings are not only of great importance for us to meet customer requirements. They also show us our own strengths as well as progress in our sustainability activities, while helping us to identify potential for improvement. In this way, we can anchor the idea of sustainability even more firmly in our processes," explains Heinz Strobl.

Diehl Brass Solutions has set itself the goal of further expanding its sustainability activities. The decarbonization project "DBS goes green" has already been launched last year. The project is a driver for energy-efficient processes, a close connection of recycling cycles, and sustainable corporate development.

^{*} Rating of the corporate division Diehl Metall subgroup, to which the Diehl Brass Solutions strategic business segment belongs.



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About Diehl Metall:

Diehl Metall is a Corporate Division of the Diehl Group founded in 1902 (sales: 3.2 billion euros, employees: 16,153) and has its headquarters in Röthenbach a.d. Pegnitz near Nuremberg. The company offers a broad spectrum of innovative products and technologies in the area of metal processing. In a global production network with locations in Europe, Asia, South America and the US, Diehl Metall develops application-oriented solutions for international customers.

The company assumes responsibility in the area of climate and resource protection, and places great value on recyclable alloys and composite materials. To fulfil this responsibility, Diehl Metall relies on technically optimized production processes and directs its innovation activities toward future trends.