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Saubermacher receives multiple awards for its commitment to sustainability

Saubermacher has again been given a top-three placing in the international rating of GRESB¹ in the category 'Waste Treatment'. The IMWF Institute has also confirmed the company's outstanding sustainable commitment to an environment worth living in. Please see the recently published sustainability report for details of the measures on which the sustainability champion scored particularly highly.

Top placement in GRESB. With its ESG (environmental, social and governance) initiatives, Saubermacher has once again been recognised as one of the world's most sustainable companies. A total of 652 companies were part of the evaluation, with the average number of points coming in at 71. Between 2018 and 2021, Saubermacher was recognised as the world's most sustainable disposal company for four years in succession. This year, 2022, the environmental pioneer was awarded second place for the first time. The sustainability champion was able to maintain its rating from the previous year, scoring 96 out of 100 points. In addition, the renewed 5-star rating also underlines Saubermacher's position within the best 20 per cent of all companies taking part.

Study confirms commitment. Kurier and the IMWF Institute for Management and Economic Research have also recognised Saubermacher as a company with an outstanding commitment to sustainability in 2023 in Austria. The '[Sustainable Commitment](#)' study involved collecting statements on sustainability from around 2000 of Austria's largest companies using public online sources. The data were collected between 1 September 2021 and 31 August 2022. Companies with at least 60 per cent of the points scored by the industry winner received an award. These companies are those that are viewed as particularly sustainable

¹ Global Real Estate Sustainability Benchmark

by the general public on account of their initiatives. In July 2022, Saubermacher was also pleased to be recognised by Kurier and the IMWF as ‘innovation winner’.

Taking responsibility. ‘Since its foundation, Saubermacher has been guided by its principle of “an environment worth living in” as well a future fit for subsequent generations. I am extremely proud that our commitment to sustainability has allowed us to take on a leadership role, not just as a role model, but by passing on what we know and supporting other companies with their sustainability efforts,’ explains Hans Roth, Founder of Saubermacher.

Circular economy safeguards raw materials. With its Zero Waste vision, the company is pursuing its aim of processing all waste materials so that they can be used again. In the current [sustainability report](#), the company sets out its measures for the years 2018 to 2021. As an example, increasing recycling rates on account of modernisation work at recycling plants are helping to ensure that more materials are processed for reuse, helping to minimise CO₂ at the same time. The topic of lithium-ion battery recycling is also high on the agenda, with Saubermacher playing an important pioneering role with a self-developed recycling plant, research into second-life use and cooperation with car dealers and workshops. Alternative drive systems are also being expanded within the company’s own fleet, and a hydrogen HGV, the first of its kind in Austria, was recently commissioned at one of Saubermacher’s companies. In addition, more than one third of passenger vehicles now operate on electricity, thus making them 100% emission free.

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Photos



Press photo 1 (left to right) Sustainability champion: still one of the world's most sustainable companies

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Press photo 2 (left to right) Details on the commitment to sustainability are available in the latest Saubermacher sustainability report

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About Saubermacher

Saubermacher AG is an international disposal and recycling company based in Feldkirchen, near Graz. The family company was founded in 1979 by Hans and Margret Roth and is a competent partner for approx. 1600 municipalities and over 42,000 businesses. The company employs some 3,400 employees in Austria, Germany, the Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia and Croatia. With its smart services and innovative (recycling) technologies, Saubermacher is a leader in waste intelligence and a partner to local authorities, towns and disposal companies. Saubermacher is sustainability champion: in the GRESB sustainability evaluation, the environmental pioneer has now secured first place worldwide in four successive years (2018-2021). In 2022, Saubermacher received an outstanding 2nd place amongst disposal companies. More information is available at [saubermacher.at](https://www.saubermacher.at).

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