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Gold for STILL from EcoVadis

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Hamburg, 08 December 2022 – The prestigious EcoVadis evaluation platform has once again awarded the Hamburg-based intralogistics company STILL its gold sustainability certificate. Especially in the evaluation areas 'environmental management' and 'labour and human rights', STILL clearly stands out amongst the benchmark of German companies.

STILL has been regularly assessed by the renowned rating agency EcoVadis for more than ten years. Having already achieved very good results in the past, STILL will again be awarded the gold sustainability certificate in 2022. The company has made particularly strong progress in the strategic implementation of 'environmental management' and 'labour and human rights', and achieved an increase of 10 assessment points in each case compared with its own result from the previous year. As a result, STILL achieved more than twice as many assessment points in these categories as the average for all companies assessed by EcoVadis.

Innovative management systems ensure ecological and social standards

The focus of the positive assessment is on the management systems that were introduced, which reliably track the consistent implementation of the corporate values and guideline - making them measurable and documenting them transparently. They are assessed by EcoVadis as particularly innovative and sophisticated. "In the past year, we have taken further important steps to sustainably develop ourselves and our corporate processes with regard to the important future issues of environmental management and working conditions," explains Frank Müller, Senior Vice President STILL Brand Management. "The focus here is on the strategic approach and the evaluation and continuous optimisation of processes. The fact that this has been

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successful and appreciated in this way is a great confirmation of our work and a great motivation to continue along this path consistently and with a great deal of conviction."

The cycle of theory, practice, evaluation and optimisation

The example of integrated environmental management clearly illustrates STILL's systematic approach: The 'Health, Safety and Environmental Standards' policy stipulates the company-wide reduction of emissions in accordance with national legislation. To achieve this, STILL implemented numerous measures last year, such as ongoing conversion to LED lighting in certain areas and optimising the control of the district heating network. The consistent implementation and the ensuing results were continuously evaluated and officially documented, and further potential for optimisation was identified - for subsequent measures in the coming year. This way, the company ensures on the one hand that guidelines are actually lived in practice, and on the other hand that the implemented measures are checked for success and adjustments are made if necessary.

Responsible action as the basis for entrepreneurial success

Economic action in harmony with ecological, ethical and social standards is increasingly the focus of corporate responsibility and is becoming more and more a quality label for companies - and thus also a relevant differentiation factor in the global competition for customers, orders and employees. This includes maximum transparency across the entire value chain, the responsible use of resources from production to disposal, and ensuring and promoting high social and safety standards

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among suppliers and partners. At STILL, these standards are firmly anchored in the company's mission statement and are continuously monitored and developed. "The careful use of resources and respectful interaction with one another are essential preconditions for a successful and secure future. As a company, we like to set a good example by constantly questioning ourselves and our processes, developing them further and identifying new potential for optimisation," explains Frank Müller. The regular review of CSR standards by the independent rating agency EcoVadis is an important component of this strategy.

About EcoVadis

The independent rating agency EcoVadis has set itself the goal of supporting the environmental and social practices of companies. In doing so, the agency follows the ten principles of the United Nations Global Compact. Since the company was founded in 2007, more than 20,000 well-known companies have relied on EcoVadis' expertise in reducing risks, promoting innovation and creating trust and transparency between business partners. Today, suppliers from 95 countries are assessed according to over 150 purchasing categories and 21 CSR criteria. The assessment is carried out by EcoVadis' CSR experts, who evaluate the companies' answers in a survey according to international standards, e.g. the Global Reporting Index (GRI), ISO 26000 and the principles of the Global Compact. The survey is designed in each case for the countries in which the companies operate - taking into account the sector and size of the company. In addition, the assessment is based on accompanying documents and on information from public bodies and shareholders (NGOs, trade unions, press).

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About STILL

STILL offers customised intralogistics solutions and implements the intelligent teamwork of forklift trucks and warehouse technology, software and services. The achievement created by the company's founder Hans Still in 1920 through a large amount of creativity, entrepreneurial spirit and quality quickly developed into a strong brand well-known throughout the world. Today around 9,000 qualified staff in research and development, production, marketing and service are involved for the sole purpose of fulfilling customers' needs throughout the whole world. The keys to the company's success are highly efficient products ranging from sector-specific complete offers for large and small enterprises to computer-assisted logistics programs for efficient warehouse and materials flow management. Please also visit STILL on the internet at www.still.de, on Facebook www.facebook.com/still or on LinkedIn at www.linkedin.com/company/still-gmbh.

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