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Following several awards for the individual sites in Germany, Malaysia and the USA in previous years, KRAIBURG TPE has been awarded a gold medal as an overall company for the first time by the renowned assessment company EcoVadis 2025. KRAIBURG TPE is therefore not only one of the highest rated companies within the plastics industry, but also occupies a top position in the overall sustainability ranking of EcoVadis.

With almost three million audited and 150,000 rated companies, EcoVadis is one of the world's largest sustainability rating platforms. With its enormous reach, the Paris-based company offers its customers a comprehensive database on the core topics of Environment, Labor and Human Rights, Ethics and Sustainable Procurement, enabling benchmarked comparisons between companies. After submitting the required information and evidence, EcoVadis awards its distinctions according to a percentage key. To receive a bronze medal, a company must be among the top 35 percent of the companies listed, for silver it must be among the top 15 percent and for gold among the top 5 percent.

“The special role that sustainability plays in our company is already reflected in our strategic positioning,” says Oliver Zintner, CEO of KRAIBURG TPE, commenting on the EcoVadis award: “We have recently defined sustainability as one of our six core competencies, once again underlining the prominent role that sustainability issues play in our company.”

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Oliver Zintner: "Of course, I am particularly pleased that we achieved gold at the first attempt in the first company-wide EcoVadis rating of all locations. However, despite my delight at the gold medal, I see the award as the natural result of a continuously developing improvement process that we have established in our company. Praise for this is due to all departments in the company that have supported and continue to support this process with consistently high levels of commitment. They have all played their part in this success!"

KRAIBURG TPE's pronounced initiative in the area of sustainability is part of the DNA of the company, which was founded in 2001; this is reflected in the company's almost 25-year history. Between the certification of the ISO 14001 environmental management system in 2002 and the ISO 15001 energy management system (2013), the company produced its first TPEs with recycled content as early as 2010. Further sustainability measures - such as the installation of PV systems and the establishment of a charging infrastructure for cars on the company premises - were implemented in step with continuous process improvements. In 2021, an initial assessment was carried out as part of the Carbon Disclosure Project. This was followed in 2023 by successful ISCC PLUS certification and the initiation of the "Climate Program 2031". Based on the SBTi guidelines, this program aims to reduce the company's Scope 1 and Scope 2 CO₂e emissions by 46.2% by 2031 and Scope 3 CO₂e emissions by 27.5%. In spring 2024, both KRAIBURG TPE GmbH & Co. KG and KRAIBURG Holding SE & Co. KG signed the United Nations Global Compact.

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CEO Oliver Zintner. (Image: © 2025 KRAIBURG TPE)

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KRAIBURG TPE (www.kraiburg-tpe.com) is a global manufacturer of custom thermoplastic elastomers. KRAIBURG TPE was founded in 2001 as an independent business unit of the KRAIBURG Group and is now the industry's competence leader in the field of TPE compounds. The company's goal is to provide safe, reliable and sustainable products for customer applications. With more than 680 employees worldwide and production sites in Germany, the USA and Malaysia, the company offers a large product portfolio for applications in the automotive, industrial and consumer goods industries, as well as for the strictly regulated medical sector. The established THERMOLAST®, COPEC®, HIPEX® and For Tec E® product lines are processed by injection molding or extrusion and offer manufacturers numerous advantages not only in processing but also in product design. KRAIBURG TPE is characterized by its innovative strength, global customer orientation, customized product solutions and reliable service. The company is ISO 50001 certified at its headquarters in Germany and holds ISO 9001 and ISO 14001 certifications at all its sites worldwide.