

Bayer winner of first Indaver Sustainability Award

Producer of high-performance plastics Bayer Antwerp received Indaver's first Sustainability Award last spring. Bayer excels in sustaining efforts to reduce its environmental impact. The company had deliberately adopted a sustainable waste policy. As a result, it reduced its environment costs by 17 % and lowered its CO₂ emissions by 23 % compared to 2011. In 2012, moreover, Bayer had reduced waste by 20 % through waste prevention at source and the recycling of residual waste.



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A constant joint objective

In industrial waste and materials management, people and environment safety is paramount. Indaver steers the waste management at the Bayer production sites and the transport and processing of that waste in the right direction. It makes sure that all harmful components in Bayer's critical waste are completely destroyed. The sustainable choices made by Bayer and Indaver help minimize risks so that Bayer can focus fully and without concern on its own production.

Sustainability in practice

During the award ceremony, the CEO of Bayer Antwerp, Volker Weintritt, highlighted the added value of the collaboration with Indaver. For instance, Indaver's open communication, with its permanent and competent contact persons (commercial, logistics, administrative) is greatly valued. Day in and day out, Indaver demonstrates its superiority with assets such as the user-friendly customer zone, with among other things automatic registration for the disposal of waste and easily retrievable overviews of waste products.

The joint search for worthwhile (repeated) initiatives for new and existing waste streams keeping the environment and society in mind is essential for Bayer. Volker Weintritt: "Bayer has found in Indaver a partner with the same sustainability philosophy. We are therefore very honoured that Indaver is handing this award to us today and thus showing its appreciation

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Joint search for
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The sustained efforts of Bayer in the field of sustainable waste and materials management have not gone unnoticed. Bayer had Indaver conduct a thorough environmental study in 2012, based on a calculation model developed in collaboration with the University of KU Leuven and on waste data from Bayer in 2011.

This study aimed to evaluate the existing processing solutions for waste products. The intensive cooperation led to strong environmental performance in 2012 compared to 2011. As a result, environmental costs for Bayer fell by 17 % and CO₂ emissions decreased by 23 % under stable production conditions. Bayer also produced 20 % less waste through improved process management, through waste prevention at source, more recycling and thanks to the higher environmental performance of Indaver's own installations. Bayer welcomes this achievement, and the role played by Indaver within the Total Waste Management partnership.

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