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Siegwerk wins the 2026 EcoVadis Sustainability Achievement Award for Best New Program

The new EcoVadis award honors Siegwerk's early achievements in sustainable procurement, highlighting its global SustainUP program as best-in-class example with clear momentum for embedding sustainability and ethical decision-making in all its sourcing activities.



Image: Cathleen Hansohm, Global Supplier Sustainability Manager and Human Rights at Siegwerk, holding the EcoVadis Award. (second from the left)

Siegburg, Germany – March 04, 2026 – Siegwerk, one of the leading global providers of printing inks and coatings for packaging applications and labels, has been awarded the 2026 EcoVadis Sustainability Achievement Award in the category “Best New Program”. This prestigious recognition from EcoVadis, one of the world’s most renowned providers of business sustainability ratings, reflects Siegwerk’s exceptional progress in establishing a human rights-oriented and

forward-thinking sustainable procurement program. According to the jury, the company sets a new benchmark for early-stage sustainable procurement initiatives. The judges particularly emphasized Siegwerk's outstanding transparency, its strong early impact, and its systematic focus on human rights within its global supply chain. Every year, EcoVadis grants its Sustainability Achievement Awards to companies with strong sustainable procurement programs that enable meaningful impact across global value chains. Here, the "Best New Program Award" recognizes companies that demonstrate rapid progress and leadership in responsible procurement within the first three years of their EcoVadis journey.

"We are more than proud of this recognition from EcoVadis, as it acknowledges the outstanding joint efforts of our entire procurement community," says Cathleen Hansohm, Global Supplier Sustainability Manager and Human Rights at Siegwerk, who received the award on behalf of the company at the EcoVadis Sustain Conference in Paris on March , 2026. A key driver of the company's progress is SustainUP, its global sustainable procurement program designed to holistically advance sustainability and human rights throughout the supply chain. "With SustainUP, we have developed a program that brings sustainability to life in our procurement processes. It goes far beyond mere compliance and places transparency, responsibility, and continuous improvement at the core of our actions. Receiving the EcoVadis Sustainability Achievement Award for the Best New Program now clearly shows that we are on the right track, encouraging us to keep raising the bar," Hansohm adds.

SustainUP was launched in mid-2025 to provide teams with clear guidelines, practical tools, and structured frameworks to help them integrate environmental and social responsibility into every sourcing decision. "At Siegwerk, we believe that sustainability is a shared responsibility. Close collaboration with our suppliers enables us to proactively address challenges, drive innovation, and build a resilient and transparent supply chain," says Arash Babai, Head of Global

Purchasing at Siegwert. Through supplier engagement, dedicated training, and transparent performance tracking, SustainUP ensures that sustainability becomes an embedded and scalable element of Siegwert's procurement activities worldwide. Just recently, the company held its first supplier engagement sessions with interactive webinars and an in-depth workshop in India, one of Siegwert's most important sourcing markets, equipping suppliers with practical knowledge and tools for responsible business practices. "With SustainUP, we go beyond simply fulfilling regulatory requirements; we shape responsible sourcing by actively fueling change throughout our supply chain," Babai continues. "And as key part of our sustainability strategy HorizonNOW, SustainUP even makes responsible procurement an integral part of our overall strategy and operations with measurable goals to achieve."

The latest EcoVadis recognition marks an important milestone in Siegwert's sustainability journey, reinforcing its commitment to driving responsible, future-ready supply chains. It demonstrates a rapid development of a global sustainable procurement framework, a strong internal and external stakeholder engagement, and reflects the company's efforts to embed sustainability and ethical decision-making in all sourcing activities. Building on the momentum of this award, Siegwert will continue to advance its sustainability ambitions and strengthen partnerships that help shape a more transparent, resilient, and human rights-oriented global value chain.

[More information about Siegwert's global procurement program SustainUP can be found.](#)

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