

Hard work earns Holmen Iggesund's Workington Mill prestigious sustainability award

Holmen Iggesund's Workington mill has been awarded the EcoVadis Platinum rating – proof that the mill is in the top 1% of more than 30,000 companies assessed.

"As a producer of Incada, a high-quality paperboard, we are delighted to excel on the environment and climate aspects of the assessment. We are very pleased that our work relating to our wider business practices in areas such as employment, ethics and procurement are also scoring exceptionally well," says Ulf Lofgren, Managing Director of the Workington mill.



EcoVadis is an international assessment agency that evaluates the sustainability performance of companies. In 2022, EcoVadis conducted around 30,000 assessments of companies in more than 200 sectors in 160 countries. When a Platinum rating is awarded, it means that the company is in the top 1% of its industry.

"We joined EcoVadis because we believe in transparency and were looking for ways to share our sustainability performance with customers and stakeholders, who also regard this as essential," says Johan Granås, Sustainability Director at Holmen Iggesund.



"Climate change is the biggest challenge of our time, and we want our customers to trust that we will supply them with the highest standard of sustainable packaging material. We need to seriously consider all aspects of sustainability, including transparent and comprehensive reporting."

"The score reflects what we do in our everyday work, with all people contributing in their areas to make the mill such a fantastic place to work. Strategic decisions taken many years ago, for example in our energy generation, have allowed us to make significant gains in terms of playing a vital role in the green transition," says Jonny Lowe, Head of HR and Corporate Responsibility.



Located in beautiful Cumbria near the UK's renowned Lake District, the Workington mill is powered entirely by fossil carbon free bioenergy.

This is the third time the Workington mill has received the Platinum rating, each year increasing its overall score through dedicated teamwork and continuous improvements.

Holmen Iggesund is part of the Swedish forest industry group Holmen, which has been listed as one of the world's 100 most sustainable companies on different sustainability indices several times in the past decade. The Holmen Group is exceptionally proud that both the Iggesund Bruk in Sweden and the Workington mill have been awarded the EcoVadis Platinum rating three years running.

