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## Lenzing named sustainability champion for the second time

- Lenzing has been awarded the highest CSR rating from EcoVadis for the second consecutive time
- Global rating standard evaluates 90,000 companies: Lenzing among top 1 percent of its industry
- Lenzing joins the UN Global Compact sustainability initiative

Lenzing – Lenzing Group, a world-leading provider of sustainably produced specialty fibers, has been awarded platinum status in the CSR rating from EcoVadis. This comprehensive assessment covers the four key practices of corporate social responsibility: the environment, fair working conditions and human rights, ethics and sustainable procurement.

This is the second time that EcoVadis, a leading international provider of sustainability ratings for businesses, has awarded platinum status to Lenzing for its sustainability performance. As a result, Lenzing ranks among the world's top 1 percent of companies in its sector that are rated by EcoVadis.

"At Lenzing, we are working hard to make our industries even more sustainable and to drive the transformation of the textile business model from a linear to a circular economy model. This attitude is firmly anchored in our strategy and corporate values. I am therefore particularly pleased to receive this highest rating from the internationally renowned organization," says Stephan Sielaff, CEO of the Lenzing Group.

In line with its "Naturally positive" sustainability strategy, the Lenzing Group has set ambitious targets in each of its core strategic areas, aimed at bolstering its capacity to move from a linear to a circular model. Lenzing reports the corresponding implementation measures and the progress it has made in its annual sustainability report. This high level of accountability and transparency was particularly praised in the assessment by EcoVadis. The rating provider also highlighted Lenzing's comprehensive measures to reduce air pollution, wastewater and greenhouse gases, in addition to its provision of skills development training and health care programs for staff members.

Since it was founded in 2007, EcoVadis has become the world's largest and most trusted provider of sustainability ratings for businesses and has created a global network of more than 90,000 rated companies in over 175 countries around the world. The organization also offers information and tools to enhance transparency in global supply chains. The methodology applied assess the guidelines, measures and activities of companies, as well as the reports they publish with regard to the environment, labor and human rights, ethics and sustainable procurement.

### Partnerships for systemic change

Lenzing forges strategic partnerships with various stakeholders to meet its ambitious climate and sustainability targets and drive forward systemic change in the textile and nonwoven industries. The world is now more closely connected than ever. Improved access to technology and science is a vital instrument for sharing ideas and promoting innovation. Based on this cooperative approach, Lenzing is also among the 15,000 companies worldwide that have joined the United Nations Global Compact. The UN Global Compact is the world's largest and most important initiative for responsible corporate governance. As a member, Lenzing is committed to upholding human rights, respecting the rights of employees and their representatives, protecting the environment, enabling fair competition and combating corruption. The principles of the UN Global Compact are incorporated into Lenzing's strategy and corporate culture. This worldwide movement of economic, political and civil society stakeholders aims to create a more social and ecological model of globalization.

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### About the Lenzing Group

The Lenzing Group stands for ecologically responsible production of specialty fibers made from the renewable raw material wood. As an innovation leader, Lenzing is a partner of global textile and nonwoven manufacturers and drives many new technological developments.

The Lenzing Group's high-quality fibers form the basis for a variety of textile applications ranging from elegant clothing to versatile denims and high-performance sports clothing. Due to their consistent high quality, their biodegradability and compostability Lenzing fibers are also highly suitable for hygiene products and agricultural applications.

The business model of the Lenzing Group goes far beyond that of a traditional fiber producer. Together with its customers and partners, Lenzing develops innovative products along the value chain, creating added value for consumers. The Lenzing Group strives for the efficient utilization and processing of all raw materials and offers solutions to help redirect the textile sector towards a closed-loop economy. In order to reduce the speed of global warming and to accomplish the targets of the Paris Climate Agreement and the "Green Deal" of the EU Commission, Lenzing has a clear vision: namely to make a zero-carbon future come true.

### Key Facts & Figures Lenzing Group 2021

Revenue: EUR 2.19 bn

Nominal capacity: 1,145,000 tonnes

Number of employees (headcount): 7,958

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