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More than 400 submissions – Nominees for the German Ecodesign Award 2024 have been determined

22 projects have a chance to win the award on December 2nd

This year, the German Ecodesign Award has reached a significant milestone: more than 400 innovative and sustainable projects were submitted – a record that highlights the importance and commitment to ecological design.

From a record number of over 400 submissions, around 150 entries made it through the preliminary selection by the [advisory board](#) of the German Ecodesign Award and the German Environment Agency. The interdisciplinary jury selected 22 outstanding projects that now hope to receive the coveted award. During the award ceremony on December 2, Federal Environment Minister Steffi Lemke will personally present the accolades – a highlight that underscores the significance of the award.

Since 2012, the German Ecodesign Award has recognized outstanding ideas and solutions in the field of ecological design and is considered the highest governmental award for design in Germany. The competition is held annually by the Federal Ministry for the Environment and the German Environment Agency in cooperation with the International Design Center Berlin.

Dr. Bettina Hoffmann MdB, Parliamentary State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for the Environment (BMUV) and jury member, said, *"The record number of submissions demonstrates that sustainable design has long been an essential component in the creation of products and services. The German Ecodesign Award has been a pioneer of this development and has steadily entered the mainstream. It supports the transformation of consumption and production towards a circular economy."*

Dr. Bettina Rechenberg, Head of Department III "Sustainable Products and Production, Circular Economy" at the Federal Environment Agency (UBA) and jury member, commented, *"The German Ecodesign Award has been around for 13 years now, and I am continually amazed and inspired by the diversity and range of design approaches for a sustainable future."*

All projects that made it to the jury session will be showcased in an exhibition at the Metropolenhaus in Berlin. The [opening event](#) will take place on September 19th at 6 PM. From September 20th to 24th, the exhibition will be open to the public daily from 12 to 4 PM. Further details and an [online gallery](#) featuring all the nominees can be found on the German Ecodesign Award [website](#).

Category young talents

- **[Break-up Lab](#)** | Sophia Reißweber (Burg Giebichenstein University of Art and Design Halle)
- **[Entopolis - A Serious Game](#)** | Anne Carolin Klosson (ecosign / Akademie für Gestaltung, Köln)
- **[Soft Spot](#)** | Franziska Baumgartner (Akademie der Bildenden Künste München)

- **Stadtgold: Pressed clay bricks** | Micha Kretschmann & Christian Gäth (Technische Universität Berlin)
- **Wasserwald** | Lea Bernhard (Hochschule für Gestaltung Offenbach)

Category Concept

- **CareGo Case for diabetics** | Sanofi-aventis Deutschland GmbH (head office: Frankfurt), aroma:id (head office:Offenbach)
- **Enzymatic textile recycling** | Re-Fresh Global (head office: Berlin)
- **Garage additions** | Falk Schneemann Architektur (head office: Karlsruhe)
- **Globetrotter RE:THINK Store** | Globetrotter Ausrüstung GmbH (head office: Hamburg), dan pearlman Markenarchitektur GmbH (head office: Berlin)
- **ONOX** | Raumideen GmbH & Co KG (head office: Isny im Allgäu)
- **Visionary materials** | BMW Group und BMW Group Designworks (head office: München)

Category Service

- **Rezip Zipper Repair Station** | CISUTAC, PCH Innovations (head office: Berlin)
- **SPOT** | Packaging Cockpit GmbH (head office: Wien), PreZero Dual GmbH (head office: Neckarsulm)
- **Tork PaperCircle®** | Essity Professional Hygiene Germany GmbH (head office: Mannheim)

Category product

- **Bentwood Chair 214** | Thonet GmbH (head office: Frankenberg)
- **The turnaround for walls** | STRAMEN.TEC GmbH (head office: Berlin)
- **HANSA APZ 1003 series** | HANSA – Maschinenbau Vertriebs- und Fertigungs GmbH (head office: Selsingen), Lumod GmbH (head office: München)
- **Kynd Hair – plant-based synthetic hair** | Kynd Hair GmbH (head office: Berlin)
- **Pigmentura by CHT** | CHT Germany GmbH (head office: Tübingen)
- **R-concrete with 100% natural stone replacement** | Büscher Unternehmensgruppe (head office: Heek), Büscher Containerdienst- und Toilettenmietservice GmbH & Co. KG (head office: Heek)
- **Schwalbe Green Marathon** | Schwalbe – Ralf Bohle GmbH (head office: Reichshof)
- **Sleep til InfinnaTM** | ARMEDANGELS – Social Fashion Company GmbH (head office: Köln)

The Jury of the German Ecodesign Award 2024

- Werner Aisslinger (Product Designer)
- Ina Budde (Co-founder and Managing Director of [circular.fashion](#))
- Prof. Matthias Held (Product Designer, Professor at HfG Schwäbisch Gmünd)
- Prof. Dr. Claudia Perren (Architect, Director of the Academy of Art and Design in Basel)
- Siddharth Prakash (Head of the Circular Economy and Global Value Chains Group in the Products and Material Flows Division at the Öko-Institut in Freiburg)
- Paula Raché (Communication Designer, collaborating with Material Stories on exhibitions, publications, and interdisciplinary workshops)

- Dr. Bettina Rechenberg (Head of Department III “Sustainable Products and Production, Circular Economy” at UBA)
- Ingo Strube (Department T13 “Sustainable Consumption, Product-Related Environmental Protection” at BMUV) representing Dr. Bettina Hoffmann MdB (Parliamentary State Secretary at BMUV)
- Michael Volkmer (Founder of the Creative Agency Scholz & Volkmer)

For more information about the competition

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