

The platform assesses suppliers' corporate social responsibility practices and works to mitigate risk and drive innovation in sustainable procurement. The organisation operates on a global scale and aims to bring about meaningful change in supply chains worldwide. To achieve this, the company combines extensive experience with advanced technology and comprehensive service solutions.

"EcoVadis acts as a benchmark: the assessed companies are moving towards sustainability. The EcoVadis assessment itself shows the effects of their actions, i.e. where the company stands and how far it has to go to achieve the highest score, which is platinum. Nowy Styl has already come a long way. In 2019, we won silver, and just one year later, we reached gold! "

Barbara Kokoszka-Bugla, Sustainability Manager at Nowy Styl.



As a silver medal winner, Nowy Styl was in the top 19% of the best rated companies. **The company joined the leading group of only 2% of companies.**

How does the EcoVadis assessment work?

During the audit, EcoVadis uses 21 criteria, divided into 4 categories :

- Human and labour rights
- Environment
- Ethics
- Sustainable procurement.

The criteria applied are based on international sustainability standards such as Global Compact, GRI and ISO 26000.

As a silver medal winner, Nowy Styl received 57 points for its assessment. To win the gold medal, we had to meet strict requirements and raise the bar considerably. As a result, we received 71 points! We made the greatest progress in the human and labour rights category, we also improved our scores in the area of environment and ethics, and we maintained our ranking in the area of sustainable procurement.



In today's world, the importance of the EcoVadis assessment cannot be overstated: the ranking is popular and recognised among our customers and stakeholders.

"Many companies report CSR activities, but only a few can claim to have been awarded the EcoVadis medal by an objective group of experts. This is why clients themselves ask us for the EcoVadis award, and for some it is a prerequisite for participating in a tender. EcoVadis is a confirmation of our determination and real actions in the field of CSR. The EcoVadis gold medal can open many doors for us," says Bartosz Karasiński, International Sales Director at Nowy Styl.



In an ever-changing world, a gold medal is not awarded once and for all; the EcoVadis platform conducts an assessment every year, and the auditor's requirements become more and more stringent, as awareness increases. How many points and what medal can Nowy Styl achieve in 2022?

"In 2021, we received a gold medal with a score of 71. We are aware that we need to take further steps to maintain this medal. Of course, we are moving towards the highest award, which is platinum. That is why we plan to further develop our CSR activities," says Barbara Kokoszka-Bugla.

This year, Nowy Styl intends to :

- Organise training for employees on ethics and anti-corruption measures,
- Establish a dialogue to share good practice with the company's suppliers,
- Set specific and measurable targets in the four categories assessed by EcoVadis, and report on their achievement on an annual basis.

These are tangible actions that will increase the value of Nowy Styl as a company: for our contractors and customers, and for the environment.