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## Sustainability

for the sake of our environment





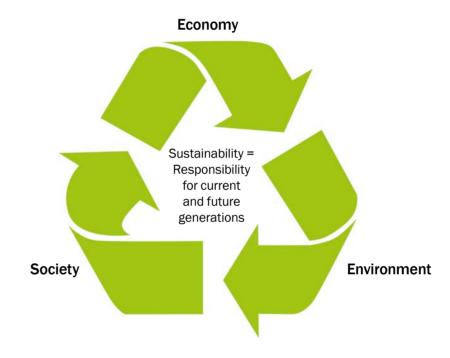


## Dedication and responsibility

for current and future generations

The Brundtland Report, which was published by the United Nations in 1987, explained the model of sustainability as development that corresponds to the needs of today's generation, but also does not restrict the possibilities of future generations.

Thereby, the concept of a company's sustainability is characterized by 3 pillars:



Sustainability demands well-balanced economic activity, social justice and the economical use of all resources. In order to meet all these requirements, wissner-bosserhoff set out to guarantee entrepreneurial sustainability management to influence society's development in a positive way, instead of just considering corporate development.

Responsibility and a dedicated focus for the environment implies that we offer our customers the best solutions for their environmental problems, and that we competently support our employees and suppliers when it comes to saving valuable resources and offering sustainable solutions. This includes discipline, a good level of ethical strictness along with a systematic and steady process management.

All wissner-bosserhoff branches operate according to a decentralized environmental policy, which is adapted to the necessities and standards within the respective countries. In France and Italy, for example, waste material is separated within the company and clients can return their old products to the company. In addition to this, an energy saving policy is pursued throughout the whole product life cycle – from production to customer service.

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## Certification of environmental protection

The standards DIN EN ISO 14001

wissner-bosserhoff is committed to a continuous improvement programme for our operational environmental protection. The certification is implemented by a certified audit (in the first year), as well as by a monitoring audit (in the second and third year). In this process, the auditor checks whether the system corresponds with the standard´s requirements. He presents his audit report to the certification authority, which decides if the tested system can be certified or not. The ISO 14001:2015 certificate is awarded by the accredited organization TÜV SÜD.







## Requirements for certification

- General requirements –
   Intentions of the organization concerning the environment
- Environmental policy –
   Corporate goals
- Planning –
   Implementation of measures, to meet the requirements of the environmental policy.
- Realisation Supervision of the environmental management system's functionality
- Controlling- and corrective measures
- 6. Management review

### Recycling and reuse

for the protection of nature

The preservation of nature by means of controlled recycling has become a constant concern for wissner-bosserhoff. We do not leave you alone and we effectively react to the problems that result from waste – we gladly support you concerning the proper disposal of old beds that are no longer needed.



Keeping of waste reports Goal: further reduction of waste



# Our offer to you

- We pick up the old furniture at your premises.
- If desired, we collect the entire packaging material that was used during delivery.

# The WIBO-waste disposal guidelines

- Sorting of the material by categories (according to commercial waste regulations (German Renewable Energy Act)): Plastics, cardboard boxes, residual material / recyclables of pipes, steel plates and sheet metals, epoxy powder, polymers and batteries
- Packaging: Press together, cut, compress
- Professional storage before transport



#### Certified recycler

- Traceable transport to certified recycling sites: Steel works, smelters, refineries, paper mills
- Processing to obtain high-quality raw-materials

#### The advantages

The main advantage is a better control of environmental aspects in connection with the company's entire actions. Thereby, a management tool which makes it possible to integrate topics like environment, quality and security into the company's global management system, is available. Companies that are certified in accordance with ISO EN 14001, are noticed more easily by environmental authorities which are responsible for the implementation of the desired regulations.

Annual examination by TÜV Süd

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## Responsibility

for society and economy



wissner-bosserhoff is clearly committed to environmental protection. Environmental protection and the economical use of resources is a management goal – just as important as other corporate goals. Pursuing the goals of environmental protection is obligatory for all employees.

Regular internal and external training of our employees on topics concerning environmental and occupational safety, create security and a steady improvement of environmental protection within the company.

wissner-bosserhoff´s partners and suppliers are chosen according to strict criteria regarding environmental-, health- and security policy. Our suppliers exclusively use environmentally friendly wood and paints. The use of substances and materials that are prohibited, or that might be dangerous to health (in accordance with the REACH- and RoHS 2-directive), is excluded along the entire supply chain. In close cooperation with our partners and suppliers, we work on continuous improvement.

### Climate neutral and sustainable

we produce climate neutral

Sustainability and climate protection - for wissner-bosserhoff these are not just terms, but values that we live by.

That's why we have asked **Fokus Zukunft GmbH & Co. KG** to determine the level of greenhouse emissions of our company and to compensate them through the purchase of climate protection certificates for the years 2022 and 2023. In this way, we support great projects such as the construction of a hydropower plant in Brazil.

A constant power supply for the care beds is extremely important in everyday care. With a low stand-by consumption of only 0.5 W, the power supply integrated in our complete range of sentida care beds ensures economy and energy efficiency.



The climate impact of our company was determined for us by Fokus Zukunft GmbH & Co. KG. The recording refers to Scopes 1 & 2.



#### Sustainability at wissner-bosserhoff

- Implementation of an environmental management process within the company. wissner-bosserhoff is one of the first companies in the medical sector that was certified in accordance with ISO EN 14001.
- Auditing by an energy auditor listed with BAFA (Federal Office of Economy and Export Control) listed energy auditor according to "DIN EN 16247-1 Energy audit".
- wissner-bosserhoff decided to purchase company vehicles that have no or little environmental impact as they are all models with a low CO2emission.

- Waste is separated and recycled. Packaging and cardboard boxes are used efficiently and responsibly.
- No materials are used that are defined by external regulations (e.g. REACH- as well as RoHS 2-directive), as harmful to health or the environment.
- For wooden décor, wissner-bosserhoff chose suppliers that only use wood from sustainable forestry, (companies with a PEFC certificate a seal of approval which guarantees that the wood used during the production process originates from sustainable forestry).
- 7 Only manufacturing techniques that minimize the health effects on all individuals involved are used.
  (In accordance with ISO EN 14001: no use of lead or asbestos and plasticizers, no volatile organic compounds).
  The occurrence of dust and dust mites is minimized due to regular cleaning of the production plant.
- Regular training of employees on topics concerning environmental and occupational safety, as well as hygiene, ensure that the current regulations and directives regarding the production process are always up to date and adhered to by the employee
- No project development or product launch are implemented without checking if they might harm environment or health. In this process, the whole product life cycle is considered.
  - Internal audits ensure additional security, as the monitoring cycles are shortened.

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