# Case study: Hanzestrohm





## The Challenge

Hanzestrohm lacked insight into their current sustainability performance and therefore also their potential opportunities for improvement.





## **The Solution**

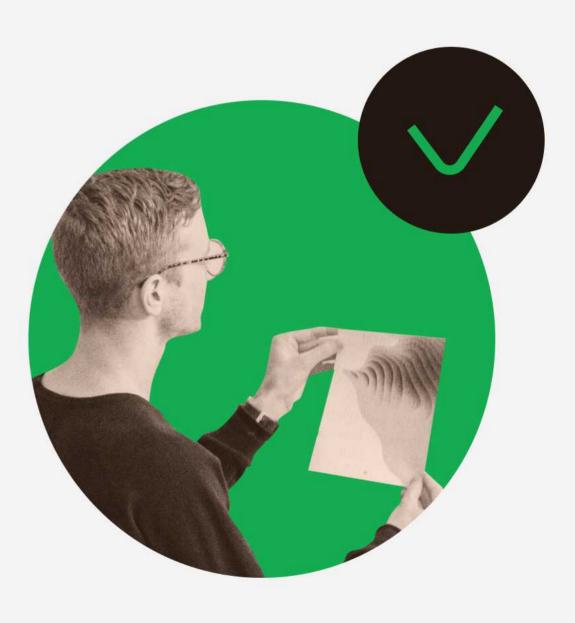
Identification of gaps between the aspirations of the company and current performance.

A strategy was formulated to address material topics.

Use of the EcoVadis platform for outside verification.

#### The outcome

Sustainability efforts have been formalised and the company achieved the Bronze medal.



# Company Facts

€ <100 million in revenue 135 employees 3 locations EcoVadis Bronze current

#### The context

- Hanzestrohm is aware that electronic waste is the fastest growing waste stream globally, with only 20% being recycled;
- On top of that, extensive use of scarce materials and conflict minerals lead to a negative environmental and social impact;
- The company wanted to act on this knowledge and apply circularity where possible.

# Project Objectives

- To gain insight inot the present sustainability management system and its performance;
- Actively engage employees in the rebranding and create an inclusive transformation agenda;
- To translate a long-term vision and mission into day-to-day operations so sustainablity becomes part of the company DNA.

### Key Outcomes

- Hanzestrohm achieved the EcoVadis Bronze medal through the initial formalization of its sustainability efforts, initiatives and performance;
- A short and long-term action plan to strengthen the Sustainability Management System and roll out the further strategy.

# Nexio Projects' Solution

- Thorough industry research to determine material issues and benchmark Hanzestrohm agains their industry through use of the EcoVadis platform;
- Identification of gaps between aspirations and performance;
- A future-proof roadmap focused on closing those gaps;
- Strong policies and employee awareness trainings to ensure alignment and transparency;
- A strategy for other material issues such as emissions and circularity.

"As a family-owned firm, sustainability and care for society around us is part of our DNA. Structuring and defining our efforts is a key challenge. That's why we asked Nexio Projects to help us create an action plan and support us to incorporate sustainability into our vision and mission."

Gijs Hemmink, Sustainability Manager, Hanzestrohm