

New Sorting Plant in Denmark

PreZero expands business activities in Holbæk together with the Danish recycling company Solum

Neckarsulm, April 12, 2024. The German environmental service provider PreZero is building a new sorting plant for light weight packaging in cooperation with the Danish company Solum in Holbæk. The plant is the first sorting plant for plastic waste on Denmark's largest island, Seeland. With a capacity of 100,000-130,000 tons of plastic waste per year, the aim is to provide well-sorted recyclable materials for recycling. This means that less waste is exported or incinerated, and a positive contribution is made to the recycling of recyclable materials in Denmark. Today, the contract for the purchase and use of the 71,000 m² site for the construction of the plastics sorting plant was signed.

The new plastic waste sorting plant in Holbæk is an important step towards a cleaner future and contributes to the ambitious goal of Denmark and the EU to recycle 55 % of plastic waste by 2030. Thanks to the latest sorting technology, the plant will be able to differentiate between different types of plastic, such as PET, HDPE and PP, and achieve such a good sorting result that the materials can be recycled almost 100 %. The investment is therefore crucial to improving resource use in Denmark, which according to the [Circularity Gap Report](#) is only 4 %, lower than in many other European countries.

"We are very excited to start our operations in Denmark and to further contribute to the EU's recycling goals," says Wolf Tiedemann, CEO PreZero International. "With Solum as one of Denmark's leading recycling companies and a development house for sustainable solutions for facilities, construction and energy, we complement each other well in this new project. And with Holbæk, we have also found a strategically good location. The municipality is not only close to the highway, which makes it easier to transport plastic waste from Zealand and Funen. It was also chosen because it has a large number of plastic processing companies. A favorable environment for giving plastic waste a new life," Tiedemann emphasizes.

According to the schedule, the approximately 15,500 m² sorting plant is expected to be operational in early 2027. The planning phase for the construction will take place in 2024/2025 and the construction is expected to start in 2025/2026.

As an international environmental service provider with around 30,000 employees at about 480 locations in Europe and North America, PreZero combines its expertise in consulting, waste disposal, sorting, processing, and recycling services along the value chain under one roof.

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Image caption: Wednesday's guests included (from left to right) Anders Eldrup, Chairman of the Board of Directors of Nordic Sorting Facility, Stefan Kaiser, Head of Technology at PreZero Germany, Christina Krzyrosiak Hansen, Mayor of Holbæk Municipality and Christian B. S. Christensen, Managing Director of Solum, were present at the signing of the purchase agreement.

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