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Sustainability works and provides added value

Dear Sir or Madam,

In September, the agricultural sector can nearly look back at an extraordinary year already. Extraordinary in almost all matters, from the lingering Covid-19 pandemic, the climate, and the upheavals caused by the Ukraine war and everything that results from it.

But there has also been good news to report because the developments over the past few months have shown that we can make a difference together. The RIGK take back systems in the agriculture sector are one small piece of the puzzle in the big picture driving forward change.

In this newsletter, we would like to present some innovations from our systems. For example, you can use the ERDE website to find out precisely whether the ERDE-SYSTEM will turn your bought product into new products made of plastic again. We have also been able to add mulching films to the range of products which can be taken back and recycled via ERDE.

Have you ever wondered what happens to the plastic rubbish many initiatives fish out of the sea? It is recycled and turned into new products by the company Healix. RIGK is part of the initiative with ERDE and its RIGK-SYSTEM. Tama, the world's largest manufacturer of bale nets, produces new products from the secondary raw material obtained that demonstrably consist of recycled plastics, contributing to reducing CO2 emissions. You can rely on sustainable products when you buy your bale nets and films. In our opinion, this is an efficient and real-world implementation of the concept of recycling that everyone can go along with.

For us, this sort of cooperation is part of our corporate philosophy, which we will continue to pursue in the future ...

... because our actions today will decide the world of tomorrow.

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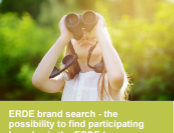
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ERDE starts collecting mulch film in 2022

In addition to silage films, stretch films, bale nets, baler twine, perforated film, PP non-wovens and asparagus film, the ERDE initiative now also collects mulch film. Seven committed manufacturers of mulch film make it possible. Starting this year, agricultural holdings can also hand in used mulch film at collection points of the ERDE initiative. The collection will take place in the form of pilot projects in different farming regions.

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ERDE brand search - the possibility to find participating brands via the ERDE homepage

From now on, agricultural holdings can easily find out if the crop plastics they use are part of the ERDE initiative. This way they can support producers who are actively involved in ERDE and contribute their share of responsibility for a sustainable use of crop plastics. Use our search mask and find out whether the products you buy contribute to the circular economy and climate protection!

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PRE collections start in November 2022

From November 1th to 29th this year, the collections of the PRE-SYSTEM will take place. With these collections, crop protection products and chemicals utilised in agriculture that cannot be used anymore will be taken back.

With more than nine different collection sites, materials such as cleaning agents, oils, fertilisers, dressed seeds, mordants, paints, and sprayer filters will be collected and safely disposed of.

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New PAMIRA image film

Packaging Material Recovery for Agriculture (PackMittel-Rücknahme Agrar): PAMIRA® is the recovery system for plant protection and liquid fertiliser packaging in Germany. It enables Farmers, horticulturists, nurseries and other professional users to return their empty and rinsed packaging free of charge, and has been doing so since 1998. The new image film shows compactly how the system works and captures some of the voices of the users.

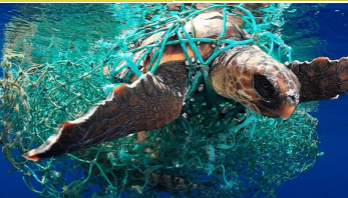
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100 % ERDE Partner

ERDE's 100% partner companies make a major contribution to the responsible use of crop plastics in Germany. The 100% ERDE partners include both the manufacturers of agricultural plastics and the traders in the agricultural sector. Together with them, RIGK operates the ERDE recovery system. If you want to know who all is involved... our website now gathers all 100 % partners on one clearly arranged page.

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Closing recycling cycles - Healix establishes closed-loop thinking for less plastic waste in the oceans

Every year, 11 million tonnes of plastic waste enter the oceans and by 2050 there could be more plastics in the oceans than there will be fish. That is why there are various organisations that take care of the collection and subsequent recycling of plastics from the oceans. Part of this chain is the start-up Healix, which recycles plastic waste consisting of fibre plastics. Healix recycles PP and HDPE plastics and uses raw materials such as maritime nets, but also yarns, bale nets or big bags from the agricultural systems. RIGK is part of the initiative and supplies Healix with materials from its recovery systems ERDE and RIGK-SYSTEM.

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The RIGK History - Over 30 years of innovative recycling of plastics

For 30 years, RIGK has been actively committed to climate protection and recycling with its take back systems. Born in 1992 from the legal regulation on the take back of packaging for industry for industry, it started with one system, the RIGK-SYSTEM. Today, RIGK operates versatile recovery systems for a wide variety of industries, products and pollutant classes. In addition, RIGK has expanded geographically and works with a number of systems and subsidiaries internationally. Always with the aim of further advancing the recycling of plastics and packaging.

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