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Successful Steps towards Sustainability in Agriculture: Milestones and Trailblazing Collaborations

Dear Sir or Madam,

As the year dedicated to sustainability in agriculture gradually comes to a close, we take pride in significant milestones and pioneering partnerships. Welcome to the **Agri Reporter 2023** by RIGK!

As experts in the takeback and recycling of used agricultural plastics, we consistently strive to promote a circular economy in agriculture and protecting our environment sustainably. In an era of climate change and increasing resource scarcity, innovative solutions are crucial to creating an eco-friendly agricultural sector. This newsletter focuses not only on anniversaries but also on innovative collaborations and successes driving sustainable development in agriculture.

ERDE celebrates 10 years of a circular economy at Agritechnica, while the proven PRE®-SYSTEM also marks its 10th anniversary. ERDE actively participates in the "Waste separating works" campaign, and the collaboration between RIGK and the Lake Constance Fruit Market Community successfully recycles hail protection nets. The innovative circular system for agricultural Big Bags, VerenaA, has had a promising start. ERDE initiates a pilot project for recycling greenhouse films, and PAMIRA® continues to make sustained progress with a recycling rate of 95%.

These developments not only warrant celebration but also shift the focus towards a future-oriented agricultural sector. Learn more about ambitious projects in this newsletter and join us in shaping a sustainable future,

... because our actions now determine the world of tomorrow.

Markus Dambach
Chairman of the Management Board, RIGK GmbH

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ERDE Recycling Celebrates 10 Years of Circular Economy at Agritechnica

The IK initiative ERDE not only celebrates impressive successes but also its 10th anniversary at this year's Agritechnica, the world's leading trade fair for agricultural technology. In the last ten years, ERDE has achieved impressive CO2 savings of 180,000 tons through the collection of over 150,000 tons of agricultural plastics. A milestone that highlights how sustainable practices in agriculture can reduce environmental impact. Feel free to visit the booth of the IK Industrievereinigung Kunststoffverpackungen e. V. (German Association for Plastics Packaging and Films) initiative to look back on a successful decade and look ahead with optimism. In addition, booth visitors can participate in a small anniversary raffle.

> [Learn more here](#)



Successful Start of VerenaA – The Circular System for Agricultural Big Bags

VerenaA, the innovative take-back system for agricultural Big Bags, has proven to be a groundbreaking step towards sustainability in the agricultural sector. Since its introduction at the beginning of the year, VerenaA has been offering environmentally friendly recycling options to agricultural end consumers at approximately 200 collection points throughout Germany. The initiative, supported by various agricultural associations, not only promotes resource conservation but also contributes to the reduction of CO2 emissions. Dr. Michael Reisinger, an expert in agricultural resources at the German Raiffeisen Association (DRV), personally verified the smooth process at a VerenaA collection point in Alzoy.

> [Learn more here](#)



10 Years of PRE®-SYSTEM – A Success Story

Over the past 10 years, the PRE-SYSTEM has established itself as an essential pillar for sustainable agriculture and responsible action. With 542 tons of taken-back chemicals and over 2,400 deliveries, the initiative by the Agricultural Industry Association (IVA) has made a successful impact. The revamped [website](#) introduces user-friendly features, and Dr. Volker Kaus, the IVA spokesperson, emphasizes the need for such a sustainable system.

> [Learn more here](#)

ERDE – Pilot Project for the Recycling of Greenhouse Films

The ERDE initiative, in collaboration with PLASTIKA KRITIS and FVG Folien-Vertriebs GmbH, is embarking on a pilot project for the recycling of greenhouse films. The goal is to optimize the collection system and identify best practices for efficient collection and recycling. Agricultural businesses and traders are invited to participate in this innovative project, transforming used greenhouse films into valuable raw materials.

> [Learn more here](#)



ERDE Participates in "Waste Separating Works" Campaign

This year, ERDE Recycling has joined the "Waste separating works" campaign led by dual systems to promote and raise awareness about proper waste separation and waste reduction. Through this collaboration, ERDE aims to draw attention to the environmentally friendly takeback of agricultural plastics and highlight the nationwide infrastructure of the initiative for the collection and recycling of used crop plastics.

> [Learn more here](#)

PAMIRA®: Sustained Success in Collection Volume Development

The PAMIRA® system celebrates an impressive recycling rate of 95% in 2022 and has expanded its network with 16 new collection points, totaling 418 locations and 446 dates. With a consistent collection volume of 3,005 tons, PAMIRA® focuses on sustainable success through effective collaborations with all stakeholders. The positive development reflects the path towards an efficient circular economy and a more sustainable agriculture.

> [Learn more here](#)



Sustainable Protection: Successful Recycling of Hail Protection Nets

RIGK and the Lake Constance Fruit Market Community have successfully advocated for the recycling of hail protection nets in the Lake Constance region. Since 2017, the collaboration has recycled over 300 tons of nets. The challenge lies in collecting the HDPE nets in a pure form and efficiently compressing them. The successful partnership demonstrates the importance of collaborations in environmental protection. In the future, net producers, by joining the ERDE initiative, aim to contribute to the successful recycling efforts and further reduce removal costs.

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