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Press release | Wereldhave receives advanced recognition on ESG performance by leading rating agencies

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Wereldhave announces today that it again received recently several awards for its ESG program – ‘A Better Tomorrow’:

- **For the eighth consecutive year, Wereldhave received a 5-star rating from GRESB, the global ESG benchmark for real estate. This ranks Wereldhave number 2 within the space of listed European shopping center companies.**
- **Wereldhave also received its sixth Gold Award for best practice sustainability reporting from the European Public Real Estate Association (EPRA).**
- **And MSCI ESG upgraded Wereldhave to an A rating from BBB for its sustainability performance.**

‘A Better Tomorrow’ was developed to reduce waste and carbon, to improve our centers’ ability to withstand heat stress and storms, and increase positive impact for local communities.

Local initiatives

Last year, Wereldhave began to introduce Paris-proof roadmaps for each of its centers. These roadmaps set out what measures will be needed to meet our 2030 SBTi climate and 2045 Paris net-zero targets. By the end of this year, roadmaps will be in place for seven of our eleven Dutch centers and two of our Belgian locations, including details of capital expenditure required. We expect to develop these roadmaps for all remaining centers in 2022 and 2023.

Wereldhave centers launched a series of initiatives in 2021 to support ‘A Better Tomorrow’:

- In the Netherlands, we installed smart water meters at all centers to help monitor water consumption.
- We started work with Too Good To Go in Belgium to reduce food waste among retailers.
- At Les Bastions in Tournai and Shopping Nivelles, our local teams organized Ecodays – a three-day event for visitors on how to live more ecologically.

- At Shopping 1 center in Genk, 1,745 solar panels were deployed that are capable of producing 450 kWp.
- At Belle-Île in Liège, we installed a new recycling point for visitors.
- In Nivelles, Nieuwegein and Tilburg, we also offered space to local stores focused on recycling or recycled goods.
- Raising the insulation level on the roof of Cityplaza in Nieuwegein.
- At Presikhaaf, Wereldhave organized a local exhibition called #thisisprikko by young residents to inspire pride in their local neighborhood.
- At Winkelhof, as part of the Longest Table initiative, we hosted a meal for eighty senior citizens to help reduce loneliness in the community.
- Multiple donation-drives for bottle depositing for local charities.
- Pop-up closet sales for SOS Kinderdorpen in Kortrijk.
- During the floods in Belgium in July: collection and storage of items, as well as the communication and delivery of donations to the Red Cross & Sint-Vincentius association at Genk Shopping 1 and Belle-Île in Liège.

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About Wereldhave - make every day count

Wereldhave Full Service Centers contribute to a more joyful and comfortable everyday life. A one-stop location for groceries, shopping, leisure, relaxation, sports, health, work and other daily needs – all supported by smart concepts and digital services. By investing sustainably to meet the needs of customers and local areas, we enrich communities, while caring for the environment, and have a positive effect on the way people live, work and shop. Wereldhave Full Service Centers play a vital role in people's everyday lives in leading regional cities in the Netherlands, Belgium and France.

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