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Forbo Flooring Systems' Tessera carpet tile collection awarded Cradle to Cradle certification

Tessera Layout/Outline collection; presenting a sustainable alternative

Forbo Tessera carpet tile offer contains some 20 individual collections which amongst them present the most sustainable alternative in textile floor coverings by displaying an on average 58% of recycled content by weight. Supported by international recognition and green product ratings like BREEAM, SKA, GUT and LEED, Tessera can now also boast the Cradle to Cradle certification for its new Tessera Layout/Outline collection

The Cradle to Cradle certification considers the product on the basis of five individual criteria; material health, material reutilization, renewable energy and carbon management, water stewardship and social fairness.

In accordance with the Creating Better Environments policy of Forbo Tessera carpet tiles are being developed using Life Cycle Assessments (LCA). This holistic view on the environmental impact of a product is the foundation to consciously analyse and improve the environmental performance. For maximum transparency Environmental Product Declarations (EPD) are published. Product labelling is obtained to ensure the acknowledgement of this consistent LCA based environmental policy.

Tessera is produced with 100% green electricity. Besides making use of yarn which has been recycled from used fishing nets and pet bottles Forbo Flooring Systems also makes use of recycled backing material for its carpet tiles and a modified bitumen which only contains a small percentage of actual bitumen. The Forbo Tessera factory is accredited with the SA8000 certification.

Tessera carpet tiles offer solutions for the office environment as well as for leisure, hospitality and selected retail spaces. Tessera designs are coordinated with the resilient products in the Forbo Flooring systems portfolio and as such can be combined in individual projects and spaces.

Forbo Flooring Systems, responsible market leader

Forbo Flooring Systems is a global market player in Linoleum, project vinyl, carpet tiles, Flotex flocked flooring, Coral entrance systems and vinyl floor coverings. In addition to floor coverings, Forbo develops, manufactures and markets a full range of professional service products. All Forbo products combine high levels of functionality and durability. Forbo Flooring Systems is committed to environmentally responsible production and to far-reaching customer service. Forbo Flooring is part of the Swiss Forbo Group and owns twenty manufacturing plants and branches in 32 countries worldwide.

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