

Cepsa and Saint-Gobain Weber team up to recycle 1,000 tons of waste per year

- **The agreement promotes the recycling of catalysts from Cepsa's Energy Parks, which Saint-Gobain Weber will use in the manufacture of industrial mortars for the construction sector**
- **This initiative is part of Cepsa's commitment to increase the circularity of its operational waste by 50% by 2030, compared to 2019, in order to become a key player in the creation of new sustainable production models**
- **The partnership drives the circular economy and, in particular, the 30% reduction in virgin raw material consumption that Saint-Gobain Weber has set as a target for 2030, as well as the 16% reduction in the carbon footprint of its products and solutions by 2030**

Cepsa and Saint-Gobain Weber will make recycling 1,000 tons of waste annually a reality through a partnership to boost the circular economy. Specifically, catalysts that Cepsa uses in its Energy Parks will be recycled once exhausted. This waste will be used by Saint-Gobain Weber as raw material in the manufacture of mortars used in various technical applications, such as installing and grouting ceramic tiles and cladding and rehabilitating facades in the construction sector.

In the project's first tests, both companies already recycled more than 55 tons of waste. Catalysts are substances used in industrial processes that, after several uses, lose their effectiveness and must be replaced. As a result of the partnership with Saint-Gobain Weber, these catalysts, which until now did not have a second life, can be recycled and transformed into mortars for professional uses, promoting the circular economy in line with both companies' sustainability objectives.

Mar Perrote, Cepsa's Corporate Director of Safety, Environmental Protection and Quality, highlighted: "Our ambition is to become a reference in the circular economy by implementing a new sustainable consumption model that minimizes the use of virgin raw materials and maximizes the use of waste, giving it a second life. At Cepsa, we seek industrial symbiosis through synergies and partnerships such as the one we have created with Saint-Gobain Weber. Through initiatives such as this one, and together with our industrial capacity and technical knowledge, we will develop more sustainable solutions that will allow us to advance in circular economy actions, which is a fundamental lever for the energy transition".

For his part, Jaime de Luis, IRP & Sustainability coordinator at Saint-Gobain Weber, said: "The circular economy is a powerful lever of change that makes us design low-carbon footprint solutions for our customers to decarbonize the construction sector and, therefore, the built environment. Partnerships of this kind with well-known companies such as Cepsa make us more sustainable and help us take a leading position in sustainable construction".

Strengthening the commitment to the circular economy

Cepsa recently announced its ambitious commitments to the circular economy by 2030, advancing its *'Positive Motion'* strategy to become a leader in sustainable mobility in Spain and Portugal and a benchmark in the energy transition. The company is committed to increasing the circularity of waste from its operations by 50% by 2030 (compared to 2019), which will involve minimizing, recycling, and recovering 8,000 tons at its major industrial sites in Andalusia.

This new commitment by Cepsa is one of the most ambitious in the energy sector, which the company will promote by using new technologies, implementing projects for waste co-processing, and identifying synergies with other companies to promote industrial symbiosis.

The company will also progressively replace raw fossil materials with renewable and recycled sources. Cepsa is committed to increasing the share of renewable and circular raw materials in its Energy Parks to 15% by 2030. This will involve using 2.8 million tons of raw materials in the current decade, of which 75% will be second-generation (2G) and other waste that would otherwise be discarded.

Using Cepsa catalysts as circular raw materials allows Saint-Gobain Weber to design products and solutions with a low carbon footprint and reduce the consumption of virgin raw materials while preserving natural resources. In other words, to make eco-design and circular economy the company's flags of identity to help our customers reduce their carbon footprint. The goal is to use 30% of the materials used in manufacturing its products and solutions from circular sources and to reduce CO₂ emissions from the materials used in manufacturing mortars by 16%.

Cepsa is a leading international company committed to sustainable mobility and energy with a solid technical experience after more than 90 years of activity. The company also has a world-leading chemicals business with increasingly sustainable operations.

In 2022, Cepsa presented its new strategic plan for 2030, *Positive Motion*, which projects its ambition to be a leader in sustainable mobility, biofuels, and green hydrogen in Spain and Portugal, and to become a benchmark in the energy transition. The company places customers at the heart of its business and will work with them to help them advance their decarbonization objectives.

ESG criteria inspire all of Cepsa's actions as it advances toward its net positive objective. Over the course of this decade, it will reduce its Scope 1 and 2 CO₂ emissions by 55% and its carbon intensity index by 15-20% in its energy product sales, which includes Scope 1, 2 and 3, with the goal of achieving net zero emissions by 2050.

Saint-Gobain Weber, part of the multinational Saint-Gobain group, has a long history in sustainability and aims to position itself as a leader in the lightweight and sustainable construction market. Saint-Gobain Weber uses 100 % renewable energy at its production sites, and most of which no longer use fossil fuels. It aims to make its production processes more sustainable while reducing the carbon footprint of its factories.

Saint-Gobain Weber not only focuses its efforts on reducing direct and indirect CO₂ emissions and enhancing the circularity of raw materials but also markets increasingly sustainable and circular packaging with high-recycled content. It also has return-and-refund systems that give its tertiary packaging several



life cycles. The goal is for all its packaging to be 100% recyclable and contain a minimum of 30% recycled content by 2030.

Saint-Gobain Weber's products and solutions have environmental information verified by an independent entity to provide the market with truthful and audited information as part of its transparency policy.

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