

# PLASTERBOARD: SAINT-GOBAIN MAKES PROGRESS ON ITS CSR ROADMAP

Saint-Gobain is taking decisive steps in line with its CSR (Corporate Social Responsibility) roadmap and its resource-efficiency and carbon neutrality ambitions in its plasterboard activities in various locations across the globe.

## Circularity and resource-efficiency

The Saint-Gobain Group is firmly committed to accelerating the transition to a circular economy, taking into account the entire life cycle of its products and solutions, in order to limit their consumption of natural resources, extend their lifespan and encourage their recycling.

In France, Saint-Gobain is the first manufacturer to produce and commercialize a **plasterboard made from more than 50% recycled gypsum**, while maintaining the same technical and functional performance as a standard plasterboard. The Placo® Infini 13 board is already exclusively available for certain partners, such as Nexity. Commercialization to the French market will begin in the first quarter of 2023.

## **Carbon neutrality**

With an acceleration of clear achievements, Saint-Gobain is demonstrating its commitment to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions (scopes 1 & 2) by 33% by 2030 compared with 2017, targeting carbon neutrality by 2050.

- In Sweden, the Balsta plant achieved a world first in the first half of 2022: the production of 300,000 m² of plasterboard using **biogas and 100% green electricity**. A wide range of products with up to 30% recycled content were manufactured in this **zero-carbon campaign**, including Ergolite™, the leading user-friendly innovation with a low environmental footprint.
- In Norway and Canada, Saint-Gobain is creating two plants 100% powered by electricity, thanks to hydro-electricity. More than €90 million is needed to electrify these plants and improve the energy efficiency of the processes, enabling energy savings of up to 30%.

These achievements demonstrate Saint-Gobain's technological capacity to adapt its manufacturing processes to various sources of renewable energy and to greater circularity depending on the local ecosystem.



#### **ABOUT SAINT-GOBAIN**

Worldwide leader in light and sustainable construction, Saint-Gobain designs, manufactures and distributes materials and services for the construction and industrial markets. Its integrated solutions for the renovation of public and private buildings, light construction and the decarbonization of construction and industry are developed through a continuous innovation process and provide sustainability and performance. The Group's commitment is guided by its purpose, "MAKING THE WORLD A BETTER HOME".

€44.2 billion in sales in 2021 166,000 employees, locations in 76 countries Committed to achieving Carbon Neutrality by 2050

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