PRESS RELEASE

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Sustainable lighting
LAVIGO is the world's first office luminaire to have been awarded a Cradle to Cradle® certificate

The Waldmann LAVIGO was awarded the internationally valid Cradle to Cradle® certificate for a concept that expresses all-round sustainability. The evaluation was assisted by the renowned Stuttgart-based construction and consultancy company Drees & Sommer.

To satisfy requirements, all the materials used in the LAVIGO were identified. They were evaluated in terms of their toxicological and recycling credentials and, in some cases, improvements were made. In addition, this evaluation incorporated verification of energy balance, the volume and quality of water required and compliance with social criteria.

For example, Waldmann was able to contribute with some hard facts. Its actively run environmental management system, its own CHP plant and a solar power system, the use of exclusively water-based paints or the in-house child daycare center all demonstrate its commitment to meeting challenging requirements. LAVIGO is the world's first office luminaire to be achieve Cradle to Cradle® certification.

With the focus of the construction and real estate business now firmly fixed on energy conservation, material cycles are now a priority matter, with the aim of counteracting the shortage of raw materials. The sector calls for ever stronger products that satisfy the principle of an ideal recycling economy.

Cradle to Cradle® is a design concept that was developed back in the Nineties by Prof. Dr. Michael Braungart, William McDonough and EPEA Internationale
Umweltforschung Hamburg (an international environmental research business).
"Cradle to Cradle" means what it says, i.e. that goods are manufactured from materials that later return to the biological or technical cycle where they are used to make new products.

In a biological cycle, consumer goods circulate that can be fed back into that cycle once they have been used. For example by being turned into compost.
In a technical cycle, it is durable consumer goods that circulate. Products are improved right at the design stage and in the manufacturing process as resources for the next stage of use. Ideally, all components are non-hazardous to health and can be recycled and reused after they have been used.

**Caption**
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B1_ The LAVIGO from Waldmann is the world's first office luminaire to achieve Cradle to Cradle® certification.
Waldmann – Light for People.
Waldmann stands for high quality light solutions designed to fulfill human needs. Founded in 1928 as an electrical business, today the medium-sized family company in its third generation is run as Herbert Waldmann GmbH & Co. KG by owner Gerhard Waldmann. Around 940 employees at the company headquarters in Villingen-Schwenningen and production and sales sites in twelve countries worldwide contribute to Waldmann's success. The company develops and produces lighting solutions for offices, industry, health & care and medical phototherapy systems. The Waldmann brand is synonymous with innovative workplace light solutions, which are consistently designed to address human needs for natural light conditions.

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