

Ercros industrial complex of Tarragona reduces its accident rate by 40%



In 2021, the Ercros industrial complex in Tarragona reduced its accident and emissions rates

Specifically, in terms of safety, the accident frequency rate – which measures accidents among own staff (with and without sick leave) per million hours worked – fell by 66.9% compared to the previous year, and the general frequency index – which includes staff from contracted companies – fell by 40.2%. Regarding the emissions index – which measures substances emitted into air and water, and waste generation – the reduction was 7.5%.

Ercros continues to advance in the decarbonisation of the activity, as foreseen in the 3D Plan. In the Tarragona complex, several projects are being carried out to improve the use of hydrogen in Vila-seca I and they are working to the design of steam production projects from biomass and EDC manufacturing with more efficient technology in Vila-seca II.

The Tarragona complex, which include Tarragona, Vila-seca I and Vila-seca II factories, has certified the occupational safety management according to ISO 45001, quality management according to ISO 9001, environmental management according to ISO 14001 and energy management according to ISO 50001; and verified their greenhouse gas emissions in accordance with ISO 14064. It is also included in the European environmental audit and management register EMAS.

The performance of Ercros in all aspects of sustainability has earned it the Platinum classification in the international rating EcoVadis, obtaining a score of 84 out of 100 with which Ercros is among the 1% with the best compliance with good ESG practices (environmental, social and governance) of the 75,000 companies evaluated, and has obtained an A rating and 77 points out of 100 in the ESG Rating 2021 of the Spanish Institute of Financial Analysts. Likewise, the company has been certified as a CSR Company in the Excellence category, by the Responsible Care program of the global chemical sector.

The Tarragona complex is part of the chlorine derivatives division of Ercros, directly employs about 325 workers and in 2021 had a turnover of more than 350 million euros. The Vila-seca I factory is the main producer of chlorine, caustic soda and its inorganic derivatives in Spain. The Vila-seca II factory is dedicated to the manufacture of PVC. And the Tarragona factory provides services to other companies in the southern polygon of Tarragona.

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