Press Release

Award presented at COP31

DEKRA receives international recognition for its commitment to strengthening climate resilience

- **Climate Resilience Award recognizes the DEKRA Climate Impact Program**
- **Holistic approach combines climate action with adaptation to the impacts of climate change**
- **International partnerships enable concrete measures to strengthen climate resilience**

DEKRA has received international recognition for its climate commitment: The global expert organization has been honored with the "Climate Resilience Award for Business 2026". Presented by the World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) and the Global Resilience Partnership (GRP), the award recognizes the contribution of the DEKRA Climate Impact Program (DCI) to strengthening climate resilience. The award is being presented at the UN Climate Change Conference COP31 in Antalya.

The international jury particularly highlighted the program's tangible contribution to protecting people and communities that are especially vulnerable to the impacts of climate change. Among the initiatives recognized were measures to secure access to clean water and strengthen resilience at the local level, which DEKRA supports particularly through its partnership with UNICEF. DEKRA received the award in the "Protecting People First" category.

The Climate Resilience Awards are being presented for the second time in 2026. WBCSD is one of the world's leading business organizations for sustainable development. "Climate change presents us with a dual challenge: We must tackle its causes while also making our societies more resilient to its impacts," says Wolfgang Linsenmaier, CFO and responsible for sustainability at DEKRA. "This is precisely where our Climate Impact Program comes in. This international recognition reinforces our conviction that holistic climate responsibility and concrete action on the ground can make an important contribution to a sustainable future."

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Taking an integrated approach to climate action and adaptation

Launched in 2025 to mark the company's 100th anniversary, the DEKRA Climate Impact Program takes a holistic approach to corporate climate responsibility. Going beyond conventional carbon offsetting, the program combines the systematic reduction of DEKRA's own greenhouse gas emissions with climate adaptation measures and support for external climate projects.

Through the DEKRA Climate Fund, the company works with internationally recognized partners, including UNICEF, NABU, WWF and Bergwaldprojekt, to support projects that make a measurable contribution to the UN Sustainable Development Goals. A particular focus is on regions where people are especially vulnerable to the impacts of climate change. Together with UNICEF, for example, DEKRA supports access to safe drinking water in Ethiopia and India. Other projects focus on restoring peatlands and forests, which play an important role as natural carbon sinks and resilient ecosystems.

At COP31, DEKRA is also advocating an ambitious transition towards greater climate resilience. As a member of the World Economic Forum's (WEF) Alliance of CEO Climate Leaders, the company supports the alliance's COP31 call to action and contributes its expertise to international dialogue on sustainability.

About DEKRA

For more than 100 years, DEKRA has been a trusted name in safety. Founded in 1925 with the original goal of improving road safety through vehicle inspections, DEKRA has grown to become the world's largest independent, non-listed expert organization in the field of testing, inspection, and certification. Today, as a global partner, the company supports its customers with comprehensive services and solutions to drive safety and sustainability forward. In 2025, DEKRA generated revenue of 4.4 billion euros. More than 48,000 employees are providing qualified and independent expert services in approximately 60 countries across five continents. DEKRA holds a Platinum sustainability rating from EcoVadis, placing it among the top 1% of the globally assessed companies.