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# Progressive in Sustainability and Quality

## Engels and sustainability

At Engels, we are committed to sustainability and reducing our carbon footprint. As a family business, we don't just look at short-term profit, but at the future of our planet for generations to come.

We are proud of our Cradle2Cradle principle and work hard to promote reuse and recycling. We produce our pallets and bins from recycled material and always try to produce as close to home as possible, or if there is no other option, we opt for the most CO<sub>2</sub>-efficient solution. With our PV installations we save more than 1000 tons of CO<sub>2</sub> per year.

At Engels, we believe that together we can make a difference for the future of our planet.



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# Family business

The Engels group was founded in 1955 by Jan Engels in Tilburg. It supplied machines and parts to the textile industry. But also racks, bins, box trucks and spinning cans made of fiber. In 1985 Joost Engels took over from his father and the program consisted only of steel racks and plastic containers.

Engels Logistiek BV and Engels Group NV are located in Eindhoven. Engels Group provides guidance and support to all branches in 6 different countries. We are currently active with 6 of our own branches within half of Europe.

Our company is mainly active in the B2B sector and supports companies and institutions in the efficient and environmentally friendly design of waste management and logistics processes. We offer a complete range of products in these areas.



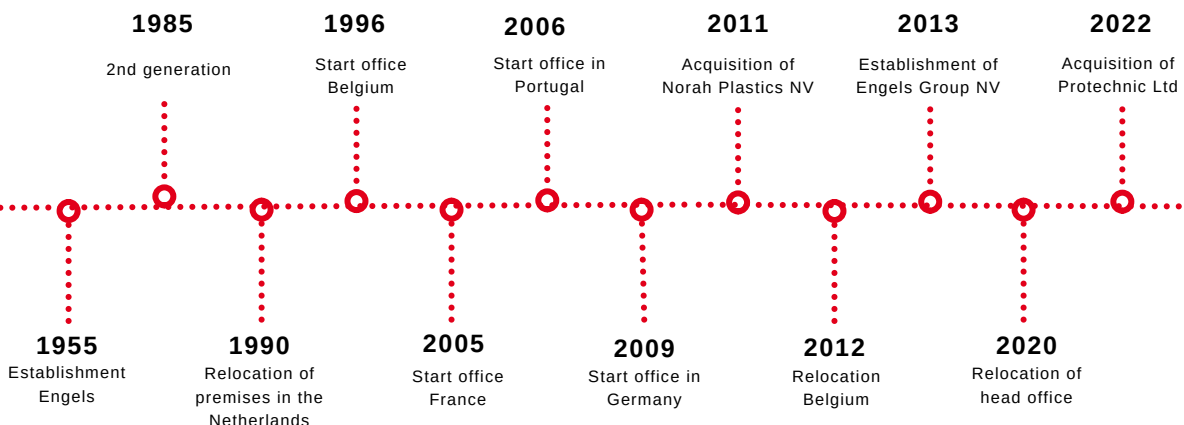
*As a family business, our goal is not profit maximization, but a future expressed in generations. Building relationships with our customers, giving our staff a family feeling, these "soft" values are defining in our group.*

Joost Engels - Owner



Our customer focus and creativity have already led to the necessary innovative solutions. Our expertise includes the production and supply of sustainable (reusable) packaging in the form of plastic and/or metal containers; stackable, collapsible, for transport, storage or waste and, if necessary, with the possibility of specific small-scale adjustments or in large production series.

We use various (production) techniques for this: injection moulding, rotational moulding, vacuum moulding, plastic welding, metalworking, printing, etc. We try to take our ecological footprint into account in all our activities.



# Mission Statement



## Serving Logistics and the Environment

In our opinion, the environment and logistics are inextricably linked. We create savings and sustainability through smartly designed product carriers and packaging. Glass, old paper or worn-out batteries start out as waste, but after proper transport and processing they find a new destination as usable material. We help society achieve higher recycling rates and save CO2 emissions.

Engels group produces and supplies products in the service of logistics and a better environment, with a strong emphasis on sustainability. Engels aims to continue its growth towards a European top position by being a professional partner for both its customers and suppliers. This by:

- **Quality** of its products, advice and service
- **Creativity** of the solutions proposed by her
- **Clarity** and accessibility of its documentation and communication
- **Completeness** of its delivery program.

A complete range answers all questions about storage and transport bins, packaging for multiple use, pallets and pallet boxes, drip trays, certified bins for the safe transport of hazardous substances, waste containers and bins for waste separation and collection.



# Energy generating company

Our headquarters in the Netherlands is ahead of the government's goals to be energy and raw material neutral before 2050, thanks to the business premises that opened in 2020.

As an international wholesaler and producer of sustainable plastic bins, pallets and containers, Engels supplies all industries, from small businesses to multinationals. Storage, transport and waste bins are needed almost everywhere and must be delivered as quickly as possible. In order to guarantee an optimal stock and fast delivery, Engels has an energy-generating business premises of over 9000 m<sup>2</sup>. The building is equipped with no less than 3124 solar panels on the roof, which can generate approximately 900 megawatts of energy per year.

## 3124 solar panels - yield: approx. 900,000 kWh per year

- 1 Enough to provide 360 families with electricity for a year.
- 2 Engels consumes approximately 293,000 kWh per year for its machinery, lighting and heating.
- 3 On balance, Engels returns 607,000 kWh to the supplier. Which is still enough for approx. 243 families.

## Our other energy generating sites

**BERINGEN** → 2244 solar panels - 250 WP - 561,000 WP yield

**BRISTOL** → 300 solar panels - 250 WP - 75,000 WP yield





# Recycling Statement

## Cradle to Cradle and Sustainable Solutions

At Engels we believe in "cradle to cradle", where we focus on (re)using and recycling our products. When we supply crates, pallets or pallet boxes, we guarantee a buy-back if the customer desires. This allows us to ensure that these products are not simply thrown away and we can contribute to a sustainable future.

We supply hundreds of thousands of plastic bins every year, but we also take them back. Bins that deserve a second life are reused, but what happens to the reused bins when they are worn out or damaged? At Engels we take back the (re)used plastic bins, pallets and pallet boxes and ensure full recycling.

Our recycling method is based on grinding the used products and processing the material into granulate in a compounder. This "new" granulate, made from existing plastic, has properties that can be compared to new material. The material is tested and documented, so that we can use the former plastic bins again in another application after this "rejuvenation cure". We call this alternative to new/virgin material Engels Industrial Compound.

We also opt for the sustainable variant when choosing our transport. Our transporters are selected on the basis of their CO2 footprint.

## Sustainable future

This completes the circle and valuable raw materials can be reused again and again. At Engels, we are committed to a sustainable future and hope to do our part in doing so.



By dealing responsibly with materials, not only is the environment spared, but valuable raw materials are also preserved for future generations.



# ISO Certification

**At Engels, we consider the future of our planet and future generations to be of great importance. Quality and sustainability are two of our core values.**

In concrete terms, this means that we take measures to produce CO2 neutrally, reduce our energy consumption, invest in solar energy, only drive A and B label commercial vehicles and that our new trucks meet the strictest EURO standards. We also take these environmental aspects into account when choosing our suppliers.

Engels is not only ISO 9001, but also ISO 14001 certified. This means that we comply with both the international standard for quality management and the standard for environmental management systems. Our ISO 14001 certification confirms our commitment to sustainability and our commitment to minimizing the impact of our activities on the environment.

At the Engels Group, we not only think of short-term profit, but also of future generations and the health of our planet. Our ISO 14001 environmental care system is a confirmation of this. In addition, we strive for the well-being of our employees and a sustainable future for our children and grandchildren.

## **ISO 14001 Certification:**

Engels is ISO 14001 certified, which means that we comply with the internationally recognized standard for environmental management systems. This certification is a confirmation of our commitment to sustainability and our commitment to minimizing the impact of our activities on the environment. It enables us to manage the environmental impact of our activities, to comply with laws and regulations, to communicate our environmental policy and to continuously improve our performance. In this way we contribute to a better future for all of us.

## **ISO 9001 Certification:**

English is ISO 9001 certified, which means that we comply with the internationally recognized standard for quality management systems. This certification is a confirmation of our commitment to providing high quality services to our customers. It enables us to standardize and improve processes, measure customer satisfaction and continuously work on improving our services. All this enables us to offer our customers a reliable, high-quality and consistent logistics service.



# Certificate

for the quality management system according to  
NEN1EN1ISO 9001:2015



The certification body TÜV NORD Nederland hereby confirms that the certification took place in accordance with its certification regulations for the organisation

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The management system and the application thereof complies with the requirements of the standard. The certification is subject to annual evaluation by TÜV NORD Nederland.

Field of application

Import, export, supply, production and the assembly of reusable packaging of plastic and steel (such as (waste)bins, pallets, pallet boxes and underground waste systems); the installation and maintenance of (underground) waste containers, possibly in combination with the delivery and maintenance of the management software.

Registration number 2207518.1

Start date certificate 2010712023  
Certificate valid until 2010712026  
Date of first certificate 2310712010

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# Certificate

for the environmental management system according to

**NEN1EN1ISO 14001:2015**

including the current version of the underlying SCCM scheme



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## **SUSTAINABILITY STATEMENT**

The Engels Group thinks in terms of generations rather than short-term profit, the future of our planet is very important to us. Our environmental care system underlines this. It focuses primarily on the prevention of soil, air and water pollution, as well as the economical use of raw materials. Our environmental care system is integrated into our quality assurance system and is geared to the nature, scope and environmental consequences of the activities within Engels.

Key points:

Integrate: of “best practices” in our company handbook to limit the negative consequences of our actions for the environment as much as possible.

- Raise:

All employees within Engels, so that they understand the need to limit the adverse effects of business operations on the environment as much as possible, especially in the field of energy consumption, CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and waste flows. Participation in training courses is supported where necessary. Thinking along is actively encouraged.

- Optimize:

Of the raw material and energy efficiency within the organization. The ultimate goal is to achieve raw material and energy neutral business operations based on the “Cradle to Cradle” principle.

- Comply:

of current legislation in the field of quality, environment, safety and health



# E-LINE™



E-line is the product version that stands for “Ecologically Economical”. E-line products are for the most part made from recycled plastic, making them a more environmentally friendly and cheaper alternative to their counterparts made from new “virgin” plastic.

E-line products can be recognized on our site and in our documentation by the green recycle sign next to the product photo. The products themselves are marked with a print to distinguish them from their virgin plastic counterparts.

The colors dark gray and black come from plastic that is recovered from bins that have been rejected during a color change on the machine, or from crates, pallet boxes and rubbish bins that have been taken back.

## UNITAR certificate

Engels has achieved the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) for the third consecutive year and meets all 17 sustainability goals. The company has received both the Voka Charter for Sustainable Entrepreneurship and the SDG Pioneer certificate from the UN.

The Voka Charter for Sustainable Entrepreneurship provides companies of all sizes and sectors with practical guidelines for sustainable entrepreneurship, while the SDG Pioneer certificate is an internationally recognized UNITAR certificate that rewards companies that have achieved the SDGs for three years in a maximum of five years. Engels has achieved this in just three years and contributes to a better and sustainable future for all.



# Charities

At Engels we think not only of short-term profit, but also of future generations. We also attach great importance to the well-being of our employees, including through our company fitness program, our cycling plan and support for charities outside work.

At Engels, we believe that sustainability contributes to the success of our company. We are therefore committed to creating a better world that we can all be proud of and that we can leave behind for future generations.

That is why the Engels Group supports various projects and charities that contribute to a better and more beautiful world. A number of charities that we continue to support are Plan International, Artsen zonder grenzen, Kika, Aidsfonds, KWF, Oxfam and The Ocean Clean Up. Each of these organizations has its own unique mission and goals, but they all work to create a better and more sustainable world.

In addition to our work for these charities, we also remain committed to making our Engels company increasingly sustainable. We are constantly working to reduce our carbon footprint and implement sustainable solutions in our business operations. For example, we are investing in electric transport.



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At Engels we try to contribute to a sustainable future. That is why we will continue our efforts to support good causes and make our company increasingly sustainable.

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