



Global Compact

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The TREVES Group is an automotive equipment manufacturer specialising in the design and production of interior trim and acoustical protection. As a participant in the Global Compact, TREVES is firmly committed to the initiative's underlying values, placing particular emphasis on environmental responsibility and the principles of sustainable development.

In line with this policy, TREVES is now using a bio-based material (jute) as a reinforcement fibre for the car shelves produced in its Brazilian subsidiary. In the context of its Environment Week, Renault congratulated TREVES on the Clio shelves, which were presented as an example of the use of bio-based materials to be extended to other products.

Furthermore, TREVES is also determinedly stepping up the use of felt in the composition of its products. This material, which can be recycled and is also produced from recycled and/or natural fibres, offers major environmental assets. Lacking in products marketed by TREVES only 2 years ago, it is now used at the rate of 3,500 tones per year. This figure is expected to increase by 25% over the next few months, with the new orders received for products employing this new technology.

Felt is not, however, suited to all applications, especially when a product has to meet particularly stringent technical requirements. Such cases necessitate the use of materials such as polyurethane foam, of which the based components (polyol in particular) are currently derived from petroleum.

A key element of sustainable development is the replacement of fossil-based materials by renewable bio-based materials. Accordingly, in collaboration with its public and private partners, TREVES recently submitted to the French Government a far-reaching project about the synthesis of polyurethane foam, derived from crop-based (colza or sunflower) polyol. This project is in line with the French Government's environmental policy, and it has been approved by the Champagne-Ardenne Competitiveness Cluster, which is one of the 9 internationally oriented centers set up by the French Government's Interdepartmental Committee on National Development to develop the use of new crop-based products in non-food applications.

TREVES shows again, with these ambitious projects, its commitment to environmental protection and sustainable development, in line with the founding principles of the Global Compact, the policies of France and the European Community.