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Sodexo strengthens status as leading CR focussed company

Sodexo, a leading food and facilities management company, has strengthened its standing as one of the top 100 companies focused on corporate responsibility, according to Business in the Community's Corporate Responsibility Index recently listed in The Sunday Times 'Companies that Count' supplement.

Sodexo has achieved silver status in the UK's leading benchmark for responsible business scoring a 5% increase on last year's total, achieving an overall index figure of 80%.

The index evaluates companies based on their management practices in four key areas of corporate responsibility - community, environment, marketplace and workplace. All companies that take part are required to provide supporting evidence to substantiate their application and are issued with a feedback report.

Business in the Community launched its Corporate Responsibility Index in 1996 to help companies benchmark their performance.

Tim Lucas, corporate responsibility manager said: "Our position in the Index is testament to the hard work of our staff and their commitment in this area. We are delighted to have achieved silver status this year and will be pushing through further initiatives that will enable us to improve our performance".

Sodexo had further reason to celebrate this month as they also announced the publishing of its second CR Report. The 68-page document outlines objectives, timescales and actions across key CR issues such supply chains, diversity, health and well-being, community investment and the environment.

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About Sodexo

In the UK and Ireland, Sodexo employs 48,000 employees, and provides food and facilities management services to clients at over 2,300 locations in the business and industry, education, healthcare, leisure and defence sectors.

Many FTSE 100 companies rely on Sodexo for cost-effective solutions to their employee or hospitality catering, or to deliver services such as cleaning, reception, switchboard and help desks, mailroom, reprographics and grounds maintenance.

Sodexo is part of Sodexo Alliance the leading global provider of food and management services, with more than 332,000 employees at 28,300 sites in 80 countries.

Business in the Community

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