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# Most sustainable companies in the world listed: Kesko ranked world's second highest and Europe's highest performer in grocery trade

**Kesko ranked as the most sustainable grocery trade company in Europe on the 2023 'Global 100 Most Sustainable Corporations in the World' listing issued by the Canadian Corporate Knights. Kesko is the only company in the world to have made the list every year since its inception in 2005.**

The ranking of the world's 100 most sustainable corporations was based on a sustainability assessment of more than 6,000 listed companies, which were assessed on 25 indicators related to environmental and social responsibility and good corporate governance.

In 2023, Kesko ranked the second highest among grocery trade companies globally and the highest in Europe.

"Expectations for corporate sustainability are constantly growing. To maintain our position as an international forerunner, we must constantly evolve. We have set strict targets for sustainability work in our three divisions: grocery trade, building and technical trade, and car trade. Our objective is to enable sustainable choices for our customers, and to drive change throughout our value chain from production to consumption," says **Riikka Joukio**, Kesko's EVP of Sustainability and Public Affairs.

Kesko is the only company in the world to have made the Global 100 list of sustainable companies every year since the list's inception in 2005. Kesko ranks 74th on this year's list. Other Finnish companies on the list include Kone, Neste and Nordea.

Corporate Knights Inc. comprises its Corporate Knights magazine, which focuses on sustainable business themes, and a research division, which produces corporate sustainability rankings and ratings.

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The 2023 Global 100 list: [2023 Global 100 most sustainable companies – Corporate Knights](#)

***Kesko and K-retailers together form K Group, whose retail sales total over €15 billion. K Group is the third biggest retail operator in Northern Europe and it employs***

some 45,000 people. Kesko operates in the grocery trade, building and technical trade, and car trade. Its divisions and chains act in close cooperation with retailer entrepreneurs and other partners. Kesko's net sales total over €11 billion and it employs approximately 17,000 people. Kesko has around 1,800 stores engaged in chain operations in Finland, Sweden, Norway, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania and Poland. Kesko's shares are listed on Nasdaq Helsinki. The company's domicile and main premises are located in Helsinki. [www.kesko.fi](http://www.kesko.fi)