Press Release

COMPO EXPERT Wins 2026 Cirularity Champion Award

Slow-release fertilizer Floranid® Twin Permanent earns top rating in the "Cradle to Cradle" category – now containing recycled phosphate from wastewater for the first time

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Specialty fertilizer manufacturer COMPO EXPERT has received the 2026 Circularity Champion Award. The F.A.Z. Institute and the Cradle to Cradle NGO honored the company's enhanced all-purpose slow-release fertilizer Floranid® Twin Permanent 16-5-15 in the "Cradle to Cradle" category. With an average rating of 1.6, the product earned the highest score in its category. In total, more than 70 organizations competed for the award across all categories.

The award ceremony took place on October 13, 2026, during the 15th Responsible Leadership Conference in Düsseldorf, Germany. Sustainability Manager Dr. Lukas John accepted the award on behalf of COMPO EXPERT. In his laudation, Prof. Dr. René Schmidpeter of Bern University of Applied Sciences praised Floranid® Twin Permanent as an impressive example of how resources can be used efficiently and safely without sacrificing profitability.

"The circular economy is most convincing when it makes no difference in practice – except for the environment," said Dr. Lukas John. "Floranid® Twin Permanent performs as reliably and efficiently as ever, but for the first time it contains recycled phosphate and has a significantly smaller carbon footprint. We are delighted that this approach won over the jury, and it is a wonderful recognition of our team's work."

What Makes Floranid® Twin Permanent a Circular Solution

Floranid® Twin Permanent is the first COMPO EXPERT fertilizer to contain phosphate recovered from wastewater. Compared with similar fertilizers made from conventional raw materials, it has a smaller carbon footprint because its nitrogen, potassium, magnesium, and sulfur come from lower-carbon sources. None of this changes the performance of the all-purpose slow-release fertilizer: its proven Double-N-Technology, based on the nitrogen forms ISODUR® and CROTODUR®, continues to provide plants with an even, efficient nutrient supply for two to three months.

The award-winning fertilizer is suitable for public green spaces, landscaping, commercial horticulture and nurseries, as well as sports fields, park and ornamental turf, and golf courses.

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More information about the product: Floranid® Twin Permanent 16-5-15(+3)

COMPO EXPERT thanks the jury and the F.A.Z. Institute for this recognition, as well as all employees who contributed to the further development of Floranid® Twin Permanent.



Image 1:
Caption: Presentation of the 2026 Circularity Champion Award to Dr. Lukas John, Sustainability Manager at COMPO EXPERTd (Photo: Jonas Ratermann)

About COMPO EXPERT

COMPO EXPERT GmbH with headquarters in Münster/Westphalia is an international company with 22 sales offices in Europe, North and South America as well as in Asia and Africa.

The company produces high-quality specialty fertilizers and biostimulants in its own fertilizer plants in Krefeld (Germany) and La Vall d'Uixó (Spain). Supported by logistics sites in Deinze (Belgium) and Patras (Greece), COMPO EXPERT supplies professional users with reliable solutions for agriculture, vegetable production, fruit growing and viticulture, ornamental horticulture, nurseries, golf courses and sports turf, as well as public green spaces.

Our innovative product portfolio includes specialty mineral and stabilized fertilizers, slow- and controlled-release fertilizers, water soluble and liquid fertilizers as well as biostimulants, micronutrients, and soil conditioners. With this portfolio, COMPO EXPERT holds a leading market position.

With currently around 815 employees, the company serves 5,000 customers and sells its products in more than 100 countries.

COMPO EXPERT is a subsidiary of Grupa Azoty S.A., which, with nearly 14,000 employees, it is the largest chemical company in Poland and the second-largest producer of nitrogen and compound fertilizers in the European Union. www.grupaazoty.com.

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