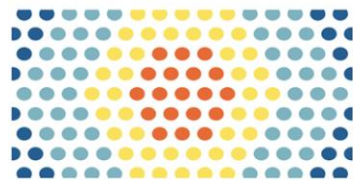


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Circular Design Guide

CIRCULAR PRODUCT DESIGN GUIDE



Guide to Navigating Through the
Process of Designing
Circular Products

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Why is it a success?

As one of the commitments to transform the total value chain into a circular business, IKEA is addressing circular product design through a series of product design principles. These are applicable to all products being developed for the 52 markets where IKEA operates its stores, worldwide. The greatest success of the project was confirming that the approach to circular product development is the right one and identifying development areas.

Challenges

The greatest challenge was in finding consistency in the early stages of assessing the circularity of the existing product offer. The more assessments were done, the easier it became to gauge if a product fully, partially or not at all fulfils the circular capability criteria.

Lessons learnt

There is no 'one size fits all' circular product development recipe. Many materials that are difficult to separate hinder circular loops. Standardised fittings and spare parts availability is necessary. Lifespan needs to be determined from the beginning of the design process.

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