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# **CWG CHOICES: A GREAT PLACE TO WORK**

Here, Chris Powell, Managing Director, discusses what sustainability means to him, his company and his customers, and expands on one of its three pillars, be a Great Place To Work

#### "When people think sus-

tainability, the first thought is 'green credentials'," says Chris. "Of course, environmental sustainability is extremely important but there is much more to sustainability.

"We see sustainability as having three pillars of responsibility: business, social and environmental. Taking away the important aspect of environmental for now. let's talk about social responsibility; what that means to us at CWG Choices and how being certified as a Great Place To Work is not only good for employee's, but good for customers.'

CWG Choices was thrilled to announce at the beginning of 2024 that it had been officially certified by Great Place To Work. This year, an impressive 86% of our team members have endorsed us as a fantastic place to work, significantly surpassing the UK average by 32%.

Maryanne Edmonds, Head of HR and Sustainability, expressed her delight, "Receiving the Great Place To Work certification is a testament to our dedication. We

prioritise employee well-being and culture through initiatives such as, Technology and Cycle Support Grants, Holiday Buy Back Options, Savers Clubs, Provision of Fruit Snacks and Drinks and engagement of employee's needs through internal communication and feedback forums, to name but a few. We also organise fund raising for local community charities and support groups. These efforts cultivate a strong community spirit and ensure that we not only meet but exceed our responsibility as an employer."

CWG Choices' commitment to creating a supportive and engaging work environment has been instrumental in providing employees with fair opportunities for career advancement and compensation. Research from Great Place To Work suggests that job seekers are significantly more likely to find a great boss at certified workplaces, and employees are more enthusiastic about coming to work.

Apart from companies and their leaders being labelled as an employer of 'Choice', other key reasons for working towards and acquiring a Great Place To Work certification are:

- · Increasing employee engagement by earning recognition and commitment to creating a positive and supportive wok environment, motivating employee's to perform at their best.
- · Boosting company reputation both internally and externally. Certified Great Place To Work companies demonstrate high levels of Trust according to their employees, supporting exceptional company culture. This increases brand sentiment and makes them prouder and more committed to doing a great job for customers.
- · Improve a company's performance and innovation. Great Place To Work certified business have seen significant improvements in their performance due to deep insights provided by the feedback of 'Great Place To Work'.

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## YOUR FINGER AS A KEY: Step into a new age of biometric access control systems

The smarter way to open the door

is simply with your finger, without a key, smartphone, code, or card. It's impossible to lock yourself out, when your finger is always at hand. The ekey system provides convenient access for the whole family. The ekey fingerprint scanner learns with every use, and automatically recognises the growth of children's fingers. Dirt or minor injuries on the finger are not a problem.

Anyone building or renovating a house is faced with many decisions. Often, not all wishes can be fulfilled immediately. This is not a problem for the ekey system, since functions and devices can be added at a later date. Users can be stored, temporarily disabled, or deleted:

- You do not have to determine the scope of your access control system in advance
- Functions, users and devices can be added flexibly
- You can control different functions with different fingers

#### **Maximum security**

For its products, ekey guarantees the very highest standard of security against misuse and unauthorised access to the access control system. Only authorised persons can open the door with the ekey fingerprint scanner. The ekey fingerprint scanner is 1,000 times more secure than the four-digit numeric code of an ATM card.

#### **Remote opening**

With an ekey fingerprint scanner, you can conveniently unlock the door with your smartphone even when you're on the go. This means you can open the door for your handyman even if you are still on your way home. Let in your friend at a moment's notice to lend him the pressure washer — even if you are on vacation. Be sure you can let someone into the house if necessary.

#### **Personalised time slots**

With an ekey fingerprint scanner, you can set different access authorisations for each person individually. For example, certain days and times can be defined on which your dog sitter or domestic staff can gain access. You define and administer all authorisations via the app and keep track of who has come and at what time.



#### **Push notifications**

Put an end to uncertainty... You automatically receive a message on your smartphone as soon as the door has been opened with the fingerprint scanner. This is useful in many everyday situations, but especially with children. Thanks to the push notification, you can be sure that your child made it home safely from school.

#### Set up routines

Receive a greeting when you get home... The ekey system in connection with the virtual assistant Amazon Alexa welcomes you into your own four walls. You are expecting a visit from friends, but you have your hands full at the moment. A short "Alexa, open the doort" is enough and your guests can enter the house.

ekey dLine fingerprint scanner for door handle and door leaf

The front door becomes smart with the ekey dLine. The fingerprint scanner is installed at the factory by door manufacturers and adds new functions to the door. Thanks to many smart features, you will experience a new sense of convenience. Not only do you open your front door safely and conveniently with your finger, but you also benefit from the added convenience in everyday life. An access control system that blends harmoniously



into the door with its modern design and fulfils the wishes of today, tomorrow and the day after tomorrow.

#### ekey facts

- The ekey dLine transforms your front door into a smart access control system with fingerprint scanner technology that is directly integrated by door manufacturers.
- The activation of the fingerprint scanner system is carried out in just a few steps via the ekey bionyx app.
- All basic functions are available in the Local mode without an Internet connection and no registration is necessary.
- Advanced smart features, such as remote opening and push notifications, are included in the Plus mode, which requires registration and Internet access.
- The ekey bionyx app guides you intuitively through user and system administration without the need for an operating manual.







• The ekey dLine offers maximum convenience and security, can be flexibly extended and integrates seamlessly into modern smart home systems

### With the fingerprint scanner into the smart home

The new generations of fingerprint scanners can do more than just open the door. When combined with an ekey fingerprint scanner, smart home systems recognise who triggers an action.

This means that buildings can be controlled and organised based on a particular person. And with the various stored fingers, different actions can also be controlled. Depending on who activates the fingerprint scanner, the lights, alarm system, heating or blinds are activated, for example.

# ekey dLine fingerprint scanner



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#### Your finger as a key

Simply open the door with your finger – without a key, smartphone, code or card. Be it for running, cycling, inline skating or when the dog wants out: enjoy the freedom to head out as you please.



## Push notifications

No more uncertainty! If you so wish, you automatically receive a notification on your smartphone as soon as the door has been unlocked. This is especially useful for those with children. Thanks to the push notification, you can be sure that your child made it home safely from school.

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