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International Award for Hälsingland-based Company G-Man Tools' New Product – for Innovation, Design and Sustainability



The winners of the prestigious EISEN Awards 2026 were announced in connection with the international hardware trade fair - Eisenwarenmesse - in Cologne. The Swedish saw manufacturer G-Man Tools took first place with its product ECOSAW Quick-Change, for its innovation, sustainability, and design!

The German Hardware Trade Association (ZHH) collaborates with the fair to identify new ideas, inventions, and solutions within the industry. The award aims to highlight the most innovative products related to tools, industrial supplies, assembly technology, fittings, and home improvement.

Out of the fair's 2,600 exhibitors, around fifty products were entered into the competition, and among the nominated contributions were major German companies such as Bosch, ABUS, and Fischerwerke – tough competition for Sweden's G-Man.

Three products were selected as winners: Weidmüller's digital solution for planning maintenance intervals for crimping tools, ABUS's versatile indoor-outdoor padlock and taking top honours - G-Man's new ECOSAW Quick-Change, a fully recyclable handsaw system featuring unique patented bladechange technology.

"We have collaborated with a team of UK design specialists to develop a fully sustainable handsaw system that uses multiple blade types, all quickly interchangeable with a single longlife handle. "The result is a versatile and advanced handsaw system that significantly reduces waste while giving professionals greater flexibility and choice," says Ulf Bäckström



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He appreciates that the parameters of innovation, design, and sustainability are weighed together by the jury.

“This shows that our chosen path is the right one. Our philosophy is precisely to offer innovative thinking, with smart products that have as low an environmental impact as possible,” says Ulf Bäckström.

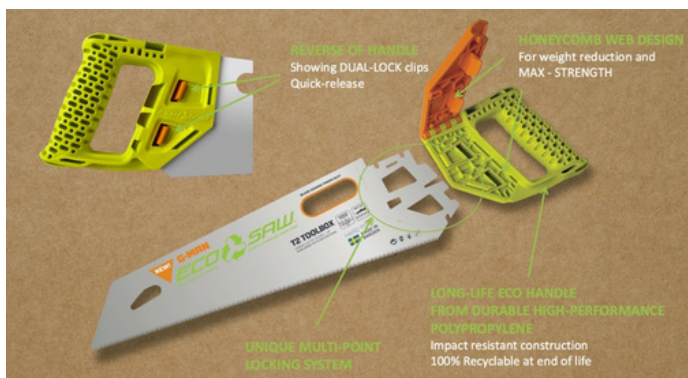
ZHH represents German retailers and wholesalers supplying goods such as tools, fittings, screws, fastening technology, household items, DIY materials, and security technology.

“For us, it is crucial to participate in these European trade fairs – to find new partners and customers. But also having the opportunity to describe how we work sustainably and innovatively in collaboration with a major organization like ZHH is invaluable. Their 550 members consist of companies and purchasing groups across Germany, which gives us new opportunities. They have existed for 125 years, and being able to place the EISEN Award seal on our products is proof of our solid quality,” says Ulf Bäckström, CEO of G-Man Tools.

As one of the three winners in the competition, G-Man receives:

- A presentation in an online gallery on the trade fair’s website
- Media coverage and visibility through PR activities, including dedicated press releases
- Formal recognition during the award ceremony with a trophy and a seal to use in communication and marketing

“In this way, we position ourselves globally as an innovation leader, and our product catalog becomes visible on a high-profile platform where international industry media search for news. A fantastic breakthrough in the noise – putting G-Man, Edsbyn, and Hälsingland on the map in an important context,” says Ulf Bäckström.



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About G-Man Tools

A Swedish manufacturer of high-quality saws and saw blades, founded in 1984 and based in Edsbyn. The company exports nearly 80% of its production to more than 30 markets, specializing in hand saws, bow saws, and specialty saws made from Swedish steel. The company is owned and managed by Ulf Bäckström in the second generation.