

MEDIA RELEASE

Best water-saving tap nominated for Plus X Award

Zurich, 22. April, 2014 – **The expert jury of the world’s largest competition for technology has nominated the sustainable tap of a Swiss company. In cooperation with Astra Resources, Bagno Sasso Mobili has developed the most effective water-saving tap worldwide. The energy demand is reduced by 100% and a special spout reduces the water consumption by 90 percent.**

Swiss Eco Tap the acqua saver was nominated for the German Innovation Plus X Award. The Plus X Award, the world’s largest competition for technology, is being conducted for the eleventh time in 2014. Awards are given for new and innovative technologies, extraordinary design and intelligent, easy to use operating systems. "The renowned jury of the Plus X Award is impressed by our sustainable tap", says Rolf Senti of Bagno Sasso Mobili. Swiss Eco Tap was developed through years of cooperation between Bagno Sasso Mobili and Astra Resources.

100 percent hot water energy savings

During the development of the Swiss Eco Tap priority was given to ecological as well as energy and water saving aspects. A special spray technology was used which creates a pleasant water jet without hot water treatment and which produces an optimal sensation of cleanliness when washing hands and leaves a pleasant feeling on the skin. As no hot water



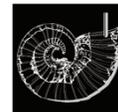
is used, energy demand drops to zero. Thanks to a special spout water consumption is reduced by incredible 90 percent. "In modern passive houses, the consumption of heating energy is negligible, but this does not apply to water consumption. The spray valves are a quantum leap in terms of building technology. The water consumption is reduced by 90% and the hot water energy by 100% - simply brilliant", states Prof. Dietrich Schwarz, professor for sustainable building. The water-saving valve is suited for a wide range of applications, e.g. for private household, public transport like trains, busses, boats and planes, for campervans as well as for wudu/ablution. The Swiss Eco Tap will soon be installed in the world’s first zero-energy skyscraper hotel "Aquaturm" in Radolfzell / Germany. The Swiss Eco Tap can be ordered as from summer 2014. For more information, please visit: www.swissecotap.com, www.plusxaward.de.

Legend: Swiss Eco Tap the acqua saver has been nominated for the Plus X Award.

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Rolf Senti, CEO
Bagno Sasso Mobili

Bagno Sasso Mobili is a Swiss company headquartered in Landquart. The company is known for interior and bathroom design as well as product design, which have won numerous awards, including the internationally coveted «red dot design award best of the best», the «Good Design Award 2011» of the Chicago Athenaeum Museum of Architecture and Design and other innovation awards as well as the nominations of the Design Preis Schweiz and the Plus X Award. For Zurich's and Abu Dhabi's landmarks, the Mobimo Tower and the Ethiad Towers, the company provided designs and products for lounge-bathrooms. Some bathrooms in the suites of the Park Hotel Vitznau bear the stamp of Bagno Sasso Mobili. In the show house close to Chur, Bagno Sasso Mobili presents European top design for living space Made in Switzerland. In Arosa's showroom, the company presents exquisite architecture and designs. The company also has showrooms in Landquart and Zurich. Bagno Sasso Mobili sells famous brands like e.g. Agape, Falper, Gerloff, KFF, Kinnasand, Leha, Occhio, Poliform, Rifra, Sahco, Team by Wellis, Vola and others.

The Astra Resources AG in Eglisau / Zurich develops innovations with the slogan <we change energy and innovate power>. Functional and timeless design is of particular importance. Highest quality standards are set for production. They are also licensed nationally and internationally.

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