



"Donate your old washing machine"

The eco-social redistribution of large household appliances

Project summary

Role R.U.S.Z: project executing organization; Project duration: ongoing since 2010

The project aims to ensure a continuous inflow of high-quality used major household appliances for resale. The basis for the secondhand appliance production is the donations that R.U.S.Z receives from its target customer group. In mid-2010, the donation campaign was started with washing machines. In the meantime, we receive not only about 1,000 large household appliances per year but also several tons of consumer electronics, computers and small household appliances.

In this way, around 1,200 appliances a year, which are usually taken back by the supplier in the course of new appliance deliveries and would in any case end up in the shredder without the project, are examined for their possible reuse, repaired if necessary and then sold as tested used appliances with a warranty. If this should not succeed, they supply in any case valuable spare parts, and/or a material proceeds (valuable material proceeds from the treatment partner). The possible collection of the donated devices by a transport partner is supported by the City of Vienna - MA 22, R.U.S.Z is responsible for the project implementation (documentation of the takeover with the classification of the devices for potential reparability, documentation of the ReUse repair, cooperation with and reporting of the collection and treatment quantities to WEEE collection and treatment systems).