

## UEPG Sustainable Development Awards 2016

**Company: Rudus Oy**  
**Location: Ekenäs, Finland**  
**Rudus Ecosystem Hotel**



The idea behind the ecosystem hotel was to transfer rare and endangered plants, and their ecosystems, from, for example, infrastructure and housing construction sites to a 'Ecosystem hotel'. In 2014, Rudus established an ecosystem hotel together with the Finnish Environment Institute in its gravel extraction area in Raasepori in Southern Finland. Plants, together with their hummocks, were transferred due to the widening of the nearby highway. Critical endangered species like little maiden and thyme, were saved together with their ecosystems.