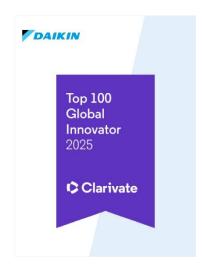


# Daikin recognized in two global top 100 innovation rankings

Brussels, April 2025 — Daikin has again been recognized in two global top 100 innovation rankings, based on analyses of its patent data and technological research advancements. Two influential international information providers, LexisNexis and Clarivate, named Daikin among the world's 100 most innovative companies. Daikin's technical and intellectual property (IP) departments work closely together from the early stages of technological development to build a leading heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration portfolio (HVAC-R).



# Clarivate Top 100 Global Innovators 2025

Daikin has been recognized among the 'Top 100 Global Innovators 2025' by international information services provider **Clarivate Plc (London, UK)**. This is the **10th time** Clarivate has honoured Daikin since 2012, following its 2024 and 2021 awards.

Leveraging its extensive proprietary patent data, Clarivate analyses intellectual property (IP) trends and evaluates companies and research institutions worldwide. Eligible companies are selected based on criteria such as the number of innovations filed since the year 2000 that are granted within a five-year timeframe, and their scores on metrics such as influence, success, investment and rarity.

# LexisNexis Innovation Momentum 2025: The Global Top 100

For the second consecutive year, Daikin has been selected for the 'Innovation Momentum 2025: The Global Top 100' award that identifies 100 leading companies driving innovation globally, based on patent data analysis.

Launched in 2022 by the US-based LexisNexis Intellectual Property Solutions, a leading global provider of information and analytics, it focuses on the technological advancements of corporations. This year marks the fourth annual edition of the award, and Daikin's selection for the second time highlights its commitment to innovative growth.

LexisNexis analyses the patent data held by companies worldwide to assess and highlight their momentum and evolution in technological developments over the past two years, based on factors such as the total number of citations and the market size protected by patents. Again, only five





Japanese companies were selected this year, with Daikin being noted in last year's report for its emphasis on sustainability and its prominence in HVAC-R innovations.



Masafumi Yamamoto (right), Senior Associated Officer in charge of Global Intellectual Property Strategy at Daikin Industries, Ltd., receiving the 'Innovation Momentum 2025: The Global Top 100' award from a Lexis Nexis representative

# Access to patents for refrigerants with low global warming potential

As a leading HVAC-R manufacturer with global business operations, Daikin allows the use of select patents by other companies to contribute to the reduction of greenhouse gases by the entire HVAC-R industry. For example, in 2011, Daikin granted emerging countries free access to 93 patents related to air conditioning equipment utilizing refrigerant HFC-32 (R32). Daikin expanded access to this refrigerant with low global warming potential (GWP) to all countries worldwide in 2015. Moreover, in 2019, Daikin expanded the scope of patents and pledged the non-assertion of those patents to support conversion to refrigerants with high energy savings and low GWP.

# Strengthening R&D on global scale and partnering with industry and academia

Daikin is working to strengthen R&D on a global scale to realize its growth strategies as part of its Fusion25 plan: achieving carbon neutrality, expanding its customer-centric solutions business and value creation with air. In addition to acquiring intellectual property rights and preventing the infringement of other companies' intellectual property rights, Daikin will continue to create intellectual properties through partnerships with industry and academia. Daikin is also establishing a





network with other companies and researchers by granting free access to Daikin-patented technologies.

#### **Further information**

About LexisNexis Innovation Momentum 2025 'The Global Top 100': https://www.lexisnexisip.com/resources/top-100-global-innovators-for-2025/

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#### About

### 100 years Daikin

The story of Daikin has always been shaped by groundbreaking ideas, technological innovations, and dedicated people. It began in 1924 when the young Japanese engineer Akira Yamada founded an enterprise in Osaka to manufacture aircraft radiators with a 15-member team. Over 100 years later, the Daikin Industries Ltd. group brings future-proof solutions for heating, cooling, ventilation, air purification, and refrigeration to global markets. More than 98,000 employees in 175 countries continue the company's legacy of leading technologies to advance low carbon heating and cooling, while ensuring the highest level of comfort. For its fiscal year 2023 the global Daikin Group reported a record sales result of € 28 billion sales (1 April 2023 − 31 March 2024).

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### Daikin Industries Ltd.

Daikin Industries is a worldwide leader in heat pump, air conditioning, and air filtration technology, employing more than 98,000 people. Founded in Osaka in 1924, it is the only manufacturer in the world that develops and manufactures HVAC-R equipment, compressors and refrigerants in-house. Daikin has been recognized as one of the world's top 100 most innovative companies by Clarivate (UK) and LexisNexis (USA) for its leadership in technology research and intellectual property patents. For its fiscal year 2023 (April 1, 2023 − March 31, 2024), the Daikin reported a record sales result of €28 billion.

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## Daikin Europe N.V.

The Daikin Europe Group is a leading provider of heating, cooling, ventilation, air purification and refrigeration (HVAC-R) technology across Europe, Middle East, and Africa. Daikin designs, manufactures, and offers customers a broad portfolio of products, maintenance services, and turnkey solutions for residential, commercial, and industrial applications. The group currently employs over 13,800 people across more than 59 subsidiaries and operates 14 manufacturing sites in Belgium, the Czech Republic, Germany, Italy, Spain, Austria, the United Kingdom, Turkey, the United Arab Emirates, and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia. Headquartered in Ostend, Belgium, for over 50 years, the Daikin Europe Group is a subsidiary of Daikin Industries Ltd.

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### **Daikin Airconditioning Central Europe**

Daikin Airconditioning Central Europe, founded in 1999 with its headquarters in Vienna, Austria, operates as a subsidiary of Daikin Europe. Its portfolio includes products and total solutions for heating, cooling, ventilation, air purification, and refrigeration in residential, commercial, and industrial settings. With over 700 employees and 3,400 partners, the company manages sales and service activities across 16 countries in Central and Eastern Europe, including Austria, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Kosovo, Montenegro, Moldova, North Macedonia, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, and Slovenia. With 'Your Daikin World' at the Vienna headquarters and the 'Daikin Inspiration Park,' the HVAC-R industry and the construction sector have access to two state-of-the-art B2B-experience centers for co-creating tailor-made solutions for hotels, retail, offices, and large commercial applications. Across the CE-region Daikin runs 10 out of 116 B2B-trainings centers across Europe. Consumers and homeowners receive consultations at four B2C-Experience centers in Vienna, Belgrade, Bratislava and Budapest.

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