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- **Group Award 2016: Volkswagen Group recognizes its 21 best suppliers**



Volkswagen Group Award winners 2016

The Volkswagen Group presented the 2016 Volkswagen Group Award to its best suppliers in Berlin yesterday. Before an audience of some 240 guests from 24 countries, Matthias Müller, CEO of Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft, and Dr. Francisco Javier Garcia Sanz, Member of the Group Board of Management responsible for Procurement, handed over this year's awards to the Group's 21 best suppliers.

"In the new world of mobility, what counts is speed and flexibility, an innovative spirit and entrepreneurial courage, working in knowledge networks that do not stop at Group or industry boundaries. That is why we are opening up to new collaborations, and we are making cooperation with our existing partners more intensive, more highly innovative and more efficient", Müller said.

"We are on the cusp of a new era. The Volkswagen Group is realigning for the digital age together with its partners. We are working at full speed on digitalization, mobility services and e-mobility. It is essential that we address these future issues together with strong, competent and innovative partners", Garcia Sanz said during the ceremony.

It has become a tradition for the Volkswagen Group to honor its best suppliers for their entrepreneurial performance during the previous year. The award-winners are recognized for their innovative strength, product quality, development competence,

sustainability and professional project management.

"This year, the Volkswagen Group Award is particularly important to me, not just because we are once again acknowledging our best business partners of the previous year, but above all because I would like to thank you for your support during the recent challenging months. You have all proven there is a very close and good partnership between Volkswagen and its suppliers," Garcia Sanz told the guests, expressing his appreciation.

This year's event was held in e-Werk in Berlin, one of the oldest surviving examples of Germany's electricity industry and the origin of German mass-electrification.

The winners of the Volkswagen Group Award 2016 are:

Award-winner	Country
Airtemp de Mexico S.A. de C.V.	Mexico
Albano Cuzzuol S.A.	Argentina
Borbet GmbH	Germany
Burmester Audisysteme GmbH	Germany
Coindu S.A.	Portugal
Continental AG	Germany
Faurecia S.A.	France
Federal-Mogul Corporation	USA
Formaplex Ltd.	UK
Fuyao Glass Industry Group	China
Gestamp Automoción S.A.	Spain
Grakon LLC	USA
Grupo Cosmos	Spain
Keihin Thermal Technology Corporation	Japan
LG Chem	South Korea
LuK GmbH & Co. KG	Germany
Mobileye Vision Technologies	Israel

NVIDIA Corporation	USA
Polimeros del Uretano S.A. de C.V.	Mexico
Samsung SDI	South Korea
Vorwerk Autotec GmbH & Co. KG	Germany

