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HANNOVER MESSE 2023 (17.–23. April):

**Deutsche Messe and DWV announce the 2nd German Hydrogen Award**

*Deutsche Messe and the German Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Association (DWV) present the "H2Eco Award" for the second time at HANNOVER MESSE in April 2023.*

**Berlin/Hannover.** The H2Eco Award is presented to national and international companies that contribute an outstanding commitment to a green hydrogen economy by technical innovation, economics and entrepreneurship according to the principles of economic efficiency, sustainability and security of supply. The contribution to protecting the climate stands in the foreground. The principle of H2Eco is an ecological and sustainable hydrogen future.

All German and international entrepreneurs and companies with innovative applications along the entire value chain of industrial H2 production can apply for the H2Eco Award 2023.

The award is presented to innovative projects that are considered pioneers and illustrate the great future potential of the green hydrogen market economy. The independent jury is once again made up of top hydrogen experts from business, research, society and politics.

The award ceremony will take place on 18 April 2023 during HANNOVER MESSE 2023. The price is endowed with 5,000 Euros.

In 2022, the German Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Association (DWV) presented the German Hydrogen Award H2Eco Award for the first time at HANNOVER MESSE 2022. The award went to ENGINIUS GmbH, a company of the FAUN Group. Under the ENGINIUS brand, the vehicle manufacturer FAUN, which specialises in municipal vehicles, is one of the first suppliers worldwide to offer hydrogen-powered trucks in series production. Thorsten Baumeister, COO of ENGINIUS, accepted the H2Eco Award at the Energy 4.0 Forum at HANNOVER MESSE.

**HANNOVER MESSE**

HANNOVER MESSE is the world’s premier trade fair for industry. Its lead theme, “Industrial Transformation – Making the Difference” unites the display sectors of Automation, Motion & Drives, Digital Ecosystems, Energy Solutions, Engineered Parts & Solutions, Future Hub, Compressed Air & Vacuum and Global Business & Markets. The key topics include CO2-neutral production, energy management, Industrie 4.0 , artificial intelligence and machine learning, and hydrogen and fuel cells. The exhibition program is complemented by a series of conferences and forums. The next edition will be hosted in Hannover from 17 to 21 April 2023. The Partner Country at HANNOVER MESSE 2023 is Indonesia.

**About DWV**

The German Hydrogen and Fuel Cell Association (DWV) has been committed to a sustainable hydrogen and fuel cell industry since 1996. DWV focuses on building a green hydrogen market economy as part of a sustainable energy supply. With our commitment, we contribute to efficiently achieving the climate goals – while at the same time maintaining security of supply and the leading role of Germany as an industrial location. Hydrogen, which is produced with renewable energies, plays a decisive role. With 140 organizations and over 450 individuals among its members, the DWV provides a voice for the Hydrogen community both within Germany and Europe as a whole. Its mission is to lay the groundwork for a Hydrogen economy, thus ensuring a clean and reliable energy supply and a prosperous future.

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