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Dr. Herbert Kubatz and Dr. Andreas Nitze receive the award "Entrepreneur of the Year 2018" The judges honor the innovative strength of the Berliner Glas Group

For the first time, the Berliner Glas Group has received the prestigious "Entrepreneur of the Year 2018" business award, which is given out each year by the auditing and advisory company EY (previously Ernst & Young). This award is given to companies with extraordinary success stories. Dr. Herbert Kubatz, President and son of the founder of the Berliner Glas Group, accepted the prize with Dr. Andreas Nitze, CEO and General Manager. The festive award ceremony was held on October 19 at the German Historical Museum in Berlin.

The Berliner Glas Group wins the award in the industry category. "We are delighted to receive this award, and see this award as recognition of our past success, our strategic focus, and our continued rate of growth", comments Dr. Herbert Kubatz on this honor.

The "Entrepreneur of the Year" is among the world's most prestigious awards for businesses. For over 30 years, EY has awarded the particular success of select entrepreneurs in 60 countries. The selection criteria for the panel of judges includes growth, future potential, innovation, employee management, and social responsibility.

Tradition and innovation have been important factors for Berliner Glas since the beginning, as Dr. Nitze explains: "We are always very interested in combining economic success with the tradition of a family-owned company. We contribute significantly to the value-creation chain of our customers with our solutions, and we always have the well-being of our employees in mind. This is the secret behind our success. We are proud to have built the Berliner Glas Group into a successful, global company and accept this award as motivation to continue along this path. This was and is only possible with the active support of our employees."

About the Berliner Glas Group:

The Berliner Glas Group (www.berlinerglasgroup.com) is one of the world's leading providers of optical key components, assemblies and systems, high-quality refined technical glass as well as glass touch assemblies. With more than 1,400 employees, the BERLINER GLAS GROUP develops, produces and integrates optics, mechanics and electronics into innovative system solutions for its customers. As OEM partners from concept to volume production, the Berliner Glas Group companies serve innovative customers in various market segments – semiconductor industry, laser and space technology, medical technology, metrology and the display industry.

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