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Volkswagen Group Award 2024: Volkswagen AG honors its best suppliers

- Volkswagen Group Award anniversary: Volkswagen AG recognizes its best suppliers for 20th time
- 10 companies out of the 40 nominees received an award
- Dirk Große-Loheide: Volkswagen Group's success is only possible with strong partners

Wolfsburg – On July 2, 2024, Volkswagen AG honored its best suppliers with the Volkswagen Group Award 2024. The award was presented for the 20th time this year at a ceremony held at Hafen 1 in Wolfsburg attended by some 250 guests from 29 countries. With the Volkswagen Group Award, Volkswagen AG honors its suppliers for outstanding partnership-based cooperation, long-standing practiced values and shared success. Board members from the Volkswagen Group and the brands as well as sponsors from Group Procurement presented the awards to a total of 10 companies in 10 categories.

Dirk Große-Loheide, Member of the Extended Executive Committee and Member of the Volkswagen Brand Board of Management responsible for Procurement, commented: "The past, present and future success of the Volkswagen Group is only possible with strong partners. The anniversary of the Volkswagen Group Award highlights the importance we place on close, partnership-based cooperation with our suppliers and underscores the esteem that goes with this. The 20th Volkswagen Group Award stands for 20 years of partnership and 20 years of shared success – a perfect combination. As we move forward, we will shape the future with our partners based on this conviction."

The Volkswagen Group Award was presented in 10 categories that reflect the main action areas of the procurement strategy. A total of 10 companies out of the 40 nominees were recognized. The individual awards were presented by Board members from the Volkswagen Group and the brands as well as sponsors from Group Procurement. They thanked the suppliers for their excellent overall corporate performance last year.

The Volkswagen Group Award History Walk at Hafen 1 in Wolfsburg was a special token of appreciation in this anniversary year. The walk showcased all winners of the past 20 awards, together with highlights and products from the Group's history.

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The 10 winners of the Volkswagen Group Award 2024

Dirk Große-Loheide and Stefan Tägtmeyer, Head of Group Procurement General, presented the award in the "Costs" category to **Lenovo**.

Oliver Blume, Chairman of the Board of Management of the Volkswagen Group, and Michael Bäcker, Head of Group Procurement Metal, presented the award in the "Sustainability" category to the winner **Salzgitter AG**.

Thomas Schäfer, CEO of the Volkswagen Passenger Cars Brand and Head of the Brand Group Core, and Michael Kerschensteiner, Head of Group Procurement New Product Launches, recognized **Xingyu Automotive Lighting Systems Co., Ltd.** in the "Launches" category.

Christian Vollmer, Member of the Extended Executive Committee and Volkswagen Brand Board Member for Production and Logistics, and Martin Fries, Head of Group Procurement Supply Chain, presented the award in the "Resilience" category to **KEBODA TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD.**

The award in the "Digitalization" category presented by Hauke Stars, Member of the Board of Management of Volkswagen AG responsible for IT, and Stefan Kühne, Head of Group Procurement Interior, went to **Mobileye Global Inc.**

Ralf Brandstätter, Member of the Board of Management of Volkswagen AG responsible for China, and Bernd Zielke, Head of Group Procurement Central Functions, presented the award in the "Brands and Regions" category to **Schaeffler AG**.

The award in the "Local Hero" category presented by Silvano Michieli, Chief Procurement Officer Automobili Lamborghini S.p.A., and Stefan Gramse, Head of Group Procurement Exterior, went to **TEXA S.p.A.**

Gunnar Kilian, Member of the Board of Management of Volkswagen AG responsible for Human Resources and Trucks, and Till von Bothmer, Head of Group Procurement Powertrain, presented the award in the "Transformation" category to the **Handtmann Gruppe**.

Thomas Schmall, Member of the Board of Management of Volkswagen AG responsible for Technology, and Turgay Yetim, Head of Procurement Group Technology and Head of Group Procurement HV Battery, presented the award in the "Battery" category to **Gotion High-Tech Co., Ltd.**

The final award of the evening in the "Partnership" category was presented by Dirk Große-Loheide and Volker Lages, Head of Group Procurement Connectivity, eMobility and Driver Assistance, to **LG Electronics**.

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The Volkswagen Group is one of the world's leading automobile manufacturers with headquarter in Wolfsburg, Germany. It operates globally and has 114 production plants in 19 European countries and 10 countries in North and South America, Asia and Africa. The Group employs around 684,000 people. The Group's vehicles are sold in over 150 countries.

With an unrivalled portfolio of strong global brands, leading technologies on an industrial scale, innovative ideas to tap into future profit pools and an entrepreneurial leadership team, the Volkswagen Group is committed to shaping the future of mobility through investments in electric and autonomous vehicles, digitalization and sustainability.

In 2023, worldwide deliveries of Group vehicles amounted to 9.2 million (2022: 8.3 million). Group sales amounted to 322.3 billion euros in 2023 (2022: 279.1 billion euros). The operating result before special items amounted to EUR 22.6 billion in 2023 (2022: EUR 22.5 billion).

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