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| Leonberg, 25. June 2020 |
| GEZE awarded as TOP 100 Innovator among small and medium-size companies |

GEZE has again been voted one of Germany's 100 most innovative companies in 2020. The Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation at Vienna University of Economics and Business reached this opinion as part of the TOP 100 Award. GEZE impressed the jury with innovative solutions and state-of-the-art technology in the areas of fire protection and building automation, as well as with its excellent climate of innovation. This is the ninth time the Leonberg-based company has received the TOP 100 Innovator award.

GEZE again receives award

GEZE impressed the jury of the TOP 100 competition across all categories, and so is entitled to call itself a TOP 100 Innovator once again. Gerald Haas, head of development at GEZE, says: "The TOP 100 seal is one of Germany's most prestigious awards for small and medium-size organisations, and is a key indicator of companies' power of innovation. Receiving the award again demonstrates that GEZE is, once more in 2020, one of Germany's most innovative companies. We aim to further build on this position in the future, and so make buildings even more liveable."

**Innovative products for liveable buildings**

With this award, the TOP 100 jury in particular recognises the Leonberg-based company's expertise in the field of building technology. In the application areas of fire protection and building automation, GEZE continually impresses with innovative solutions, which include the GEZE Cockpit building automation system, which enables automated system components from the fields of door, window and safety technology to be networked, controlled centrally and monitored precisely. GEZE can thus support its customers in working with state-of-the-art technologies that save resources, and help them to network buildings digitally.

Key criteria for the TOP 100

The TOP 100 prize has been awarded to small and medium-size companies from throughout Germany for over 25 years. The winners are determined transparently, openly and on a scientific basis. Decisions are not made on the basis of individual innovations. Instead, the Institute for Entrepreneurship and Innovation at Vienna University of Economics and Business, under the leadership of Prof. Nikolaus Franke, has defined five key criteria for the award: senior management that promotes innovation, a climate of innovation, innovative processes and organisation, open innovation/outward-looking attitude and innovative success.

Further information:

<https://www.geze.de/en/newsroom/geze-awarded-as-top-100-innovator-among-small-and-medium-size-companies>

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GEZE is an innovative global company for products, system solutions and comprehensive service for doors and windows. The specialist for innovative and modern door, window and safety technology uses its thorough industry and professional expertise to achieve outstanding results that make buildings more liveable. GEZE employs more than 3,200 people worldwide. GEZE develops and manufactures products at our headquarters in Leonberg. The company has additional production sites in China, Serbia and Spain. With 32 subsidiaries all over the world and 6 branch offices in Germany, GEZE offers outstanding proximity to our customers and excellent service. Group revenues are in excess of EUR 448.4 million.

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