

Press Release

Linde listed in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index for 6th consecutive year

Munich 18 September 2017 - Linde AG has been included in the Dow Jones Sustainability Index (DJSI World und DJSI Europe) for the sixth consecutive year. The analysts at asset manager RobecoSAM have thus once again confirmed the industrial group's leading role in the field of sustainability. This year, Linde achieved very good results for working conditions and product responsibility, as well as for its reporting on social issues.

The DJSI World comprises the top 10 percent of the 2,500 largest companies in the S&P Global Broad Market IndexSMsm. The companies listed have to demonstrate continuous improvements in a variety of economic, ecological and social criteria.

Already in June this year Linde was again listed in the FTSE4Good Index. Only companies that meet strict environmental, social and governance standards are included in this index series.

In the 2016 financial year, The Linde Group generated revenue of EUR 16.948 bn, making it one of the leading gases and engineering companies in the world, with approximately 60,000 employees working in more than 100 countries worldwide. The strategy of The Linde Group is geared towards long-term profitable growth and focuses on the expansion of its international business, with forward-looking products and services. Linde acts responsibly towards its shareholders, business partners, employees, society and the environment in every one of its business areas, regions and locations across the globe. The company is committed to technologies and products that unite the goals of customer value and sustainable development.

For more information, see The Linde Group online at <u>www.linde.com</u>

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