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FACC Supplier Award 2016: FACC honors its best suppliers

Premium quality is very important to FACC AG. This is why the company honored its best suppliers with the "FACC Excellent Supplier Award" for the eleventh time. As in previous years, three suppliers were acknowledged in gold, silver, and bronze categories for their exceptional performance and exemplary achievements. In addition, one company was presented with the "Special Performance Award" in recognition of particularly good service.

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"The success of FACC as one of the leading aviation suppliers depends undoubtedly on many factors. One important factor is the absolute commitment of our supply chain to supply us continuously with products of the highest quality on schedule and in a flawless condition," says Robert Machtlinger, CEO of FACC AG, summarizing the company's expectations of its suppliers. During the course of the award presentation Rudolf Leitner, Executive Vice President Procurement at FACC, gave thanks for the mutually beneficial collaboration: "The aim of the 'Excellent Supplier Awards' is to pay tribute to these suppliers, who have always met our exacting demands and requirements with their efforts, initiatives, and ingenuity and to show them the appreciation that they deserve".

The "FACC Excellent Supplier Awards 2016" were presented to the following companies:

Excellent Supplier Award - GOLD

Solvay Composite Materials

The business unit of global chemical group Solvay provides a comprehensive range of high-performance materials for demanding industries, including aviation, aerospace, and automotive engineering. For FACC, Solvay supplies high-grade composite materials that are used in spoilers, ailerons, and wing-to-body fairings. Their high-quality product portfolio also includes infusion resin (RTM).

Excellent Supplier Award - SILVER

T.C. Jakl d.o.o.

The Jakl Technology Center was founded in 2007. The dynamic Slovenian company is a specialist in metal machining and component manufacturing. For FACC, T.C. Jakl supplies metal components, assemblies, and highly complex table mechanisms that are used primarily in the Interiors division.

Excellent Supplier Award - BRONZE

Centra Industries

Founded in 1974, Centra Industries is a globally renowned manufacturer of high-precision structural, wing, and landing gear components, with a high level of expertise in aluminum and hard metals. Centra Industries, based in Cambridge, Canada, not far from Toronto, supplies aluminum structural components to FACC, for products such as spoilers and wing-to-body fairings for various end customers.

Special Performance Award

Wittka Galvanisierung GesmbH.

Wittka is a family business based in Vienna, which was founded in 1929 and has specialized in the finishing of metallic surfaces, the so-called "plating" process. For FACC, Wittka performs finishing processes in the highly sensitive private and business aircraft sector.

Global supply chain

In total, FACC works together with around 500 suppliers worldwide. In 2016/17, FACC's procurement volume amounted to 430 million euros. With approximately 60 percent, Europe takes the major share of this procurement volume. Outside Europe, FACC sources products in particular from the USA, the Middle East, Canada, and India. Above all, FACC purchases outsourced metallic and plastic parts, as well as a wide range of production materials such as prepregs and honeycomb cores. The purchasing spectrum also includes commodities, production equipment, services, and capital goods. In aviation's growth markets, such as China, collaboration with local suppliers is a key success factor for the further growth of FACC.

About FACC

FACC AG is one of the world's leading companies in the design, development, and production of advanced, fiber-reinforced composite components and systems for the aviation industry. Their range of products extends from structural components for the fuselage and wings to engine components and complete passenger cabins for commercial aircraft, business jets, and helicopters. FACC produces parts for all the major aircraft manufacturers, such as Airbus, Boeing, Bombardier, Embraer, Sukhoi, and COMAC, as well as for engine manufacturers and subcontractors to the aircraft manufacturers. In the 2016/17 financial year, FACC achieved annual sales of 710 million euros (preliminary). The company currently employs a workforce of over 3,400 employees.

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"Solvay Composite Materials is FACC's best supplier of 2016. Representatives from Solvay and FACC are delighted with the excellent collaboration. (from left to right: Gabriel Molina – Solvay, Lance Parcell – Solvay, Robert Machtlinger – FACC, Bill Wood – Solvay, Rudolf Leitner – FACC, Carmelo Lo Faro – Solvay, Johannes Aschauer – FACC, Veselin Verguilov – FACC, Christa Hatzmann – FACC)"

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"The silver Supplier Award goes to T.C. Jakl d.o.o. (from left to right: Maria Anna Kraus – FACC, David Vuković – Jakl, Rudolf Leitner – FACC, Sebastjan Jakl – Jakl, Christoph Stöger – FACC)"

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"The winner of the bronze Supplier Award is Centra Industries (from left to right: Patrick Klecker – FACC, Pierre Colin – Centra, Chris Bitsakakis – Centra, Rudolf Leitner – FACC, Emanuel Funk – Centra, Stefan Schweighofer – FACC)"

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"Rudolf Leitner, FACC Executive Vice President Procurement, presents the FACC Special Performance Award to Wittka Galvanisierung GesmbH. (from left to right: Sebastian Ascher – FACC, Michael Mayr – FACC, Gertrude v. Sass – Wittka, Maria Anna Kraus – FACC, Peter Reinthaler – Wittka, Rudolf Leitner – FACC, Christoph Michelak – FACC, Alois Streicher – FACC, Stephane Hatterer – FACC)"

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