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Official prize-giving ceremony during ISM in Cologne

Gota Morinaga, Representative Director, Representative Chairman, Morinaga Co. Ltd., Japan is the prize winner of the ISM Award 2017. The international award of the world's largest and most important trade fair for sweets and snacks, ISM in Cologne, was presented during a formal gala dinner on 29 January 2017. The prize pays tribute to exceptional services in the sweets and snacks industry, as Bastian Fassin, Chairman of the International Sweets and Biscuits Fair Task Force (ASIM) emphasised during the award ceremony. The prize was awarded for the fourth time.

The laudation by Dr. Andreas Jacobs, Exec. Chairman Barry Callebaut (2005 - 2016) placed the emphasis on the company logo and the philosophy of the company Morinaga and the Morinaga family. The angel motif in connection with the slogan "Delicious, Fun, Healthy" have formed the foundation for the company's development since the end of the 19th Century. "And I would add 'responsible' to that," commented Dr. Jacobs, accentuating the company's social commitment.

Gota Morinaga, who was presented the prize by Bastian Fassin and Gerald Böse, President and Chief Executive Officer of Koelnmesse, was delighted about winning the award. In his thank-you speech, he stressed the significance of international trade also in times of great upheaval. He continued to say that over the 20 years he has been regularly attending ISM, he has regularly met up with his trading partners from all over the world in Cologne. And that this is an important factor that contributes towards the good and trusting cooperation that is imperative for him and his company.

The jury of the ISM Award comprises of international representatives from the industry, trade and field of science.

ISM organisers are Koelnmesse and its industry sponsor, the International Sweets and Biscuits Fair (AISM) task force.



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