Press release

Standardization: A global factor

DVGW¹ Research Institute awarded DIN "Best Practice" prize

Berlin, 16 November 2015. To demonstrate the benefits of standardization using examples

from science, research and practice: this is the purpose of DIN prizes. This year they were

presented to the winners at the "Weltfaktor Normung" (Standardization: A global factor) awards

ceremony held at Berlin's Museum for Communication. The ceremony was attended by around

300 guests.

The "Best Practice" prize, worth €5,000, was awarded to Dr. Holger Dörr of the DVGW

Research Institute, test laboratory gas, at the Engler-Bunte-Institute of the Karlsruhe Institute of

Technology (KIT) for his entry on the current standard DIN EN 16340 "Safety and control

devices for burners and appliances burning gaseous or liquid fuels — Combustion product

sensing devices".

The use of this standard has a positive effect on the entire appliance sector for burners for

gaseous or liquid fuels. The standard also brings numerous advantages for the consumer and

helps protect the environment. In his entry on DIN EN 16340, Dr. Dörr highlighted several

parameters concomitant with the application of this standard: these include reduced sensor

development costs thanks to standardized specifications in the European standard,

re-equipment potential for existing plants, amortization based on reduced fuel consumption,

increased process stability, longer maintenance intervals and a decrease in emissions. In total,

¹ Deutscher Verein des Gas- und Wasserfaches e. V. (German Technical and Scientific Association for Gas and Water)

the application of DIN EN 16340 provides sustainable benefits for better safety, efficiency, profitability, and reduced emissions. Both manufacturers and consumers stand to gain.

The aim of the DIN's "Best Practice" prize is to raise awareness among a wider public by showing examples of the use of standards and the implementation of management and service standards.



Dr. Holger Dörr of the DVGW Research Institute, Test Laboratory Gas, at the Engler-Bunte-Institute of the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology (KIT) receives the "Best Practice" prize from Dr. Torsten Bahke, Chairman of DIN's Executive Board.

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contribute to safety and efficiency, enhance quality assurance, and further mutual understanding.

DIN promotes the marketability of innovative solutions through standardization in areas such as "Industry 4.0" or "Smart Cities" or within the framework of research programmes.

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