# Excellent! SICK AG is a ‘Great Place to Work’

Company honored as one of ‘Germany’s Best Employers’ for the 18th time

**Waldkirch, 27.02.2020 – The Great Place to Work® Institute invited companies to Berlin for yesterday evening’s awards ceremony for Germany’s Best Employer 2020. Sensor producer SICK also took part in the nationwide competition and was honored for its attractive and trustful workplace culture for the 18th year in a row.**

The award was preceded by an anonymous survey on central workplace topics sent out to 1,000 SICK employees. 89 percent of those surveyed agreed with the statement “All in all, this is a very good workplace”, enabling SICK AG to clearly outdo other companies in its category. The company was assessed particularly positively in the areas of ‘respect’ and ‘fairness’, and could again further improve on its result of the previous year.

**High commitment beyond the workplace**

Other aspects of workplace attractiveness where SICK scored particularly well were the welcoming culture for new personnel, its non-hierarchical treatment of all employees, the flexible worktime structure, and its measures for promoting health. The company’s entrepreneurial responsibility was also praised: The Great Place to Work® Institute’s ‘Culture Audit’ assessed the social, ecological and cultural commitment of SICK AG as “excellent”.

“We are proud that we have now been a Great Place to Work for 18 years,” commented Cornelia Reinecke, Personnel Manager at SICK AG. “Our employees are the key with which SICK can open up Industry 4.0 and digitalization for companies around the world. We are delighted that we create a trusting and appreciative work environment for this innovative strength, and will use the results to continue to actively work on our qualities as an attractive employer,” Reinecke continued.

The independent Great Place to Work® research institute is active worldwide and has in past years also honored national subsidiaries of the international SICK Group including, for example, sites in Finland, Austria, Sweden, Chile, the USA, Singapore and Southeast Asia. SICK was also honored as one of Europe’s top 100 employers in 2017.

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A total of 840 companies of all sizes and in all sectors took part in this year’s ‘Germany’s Best Employer’ competition. They underwent a voluntary assessment of the quality and attractiveness of their workplace culture by the Great Place to Work**®** Institute. In addition to an anonymous employee survey, the quality of the company’s personnel and management measures was assessed in a ‘Culture Audit’. These two research tools are weighted 2:1, whereby the employee’s survey is the more influential. From the entire field of entrants, the list of the 100 best employers was determined in six corporate size categories. The ‘Germany’s Best Employer’ competition has been carried out every year since 2002.

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SICK Personnel Managers Miriam Eiche (left) and Tanja Bausch accept the award for SICK as one of Germany’s Best Employers 2020 at the awards ceremony in Berlin. SICK was also pleased to receive the special "Trust Champion Award Platinum" for companies that have successfully participated in the competition for more than ten years.

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SICK is one of the world’s leading producers of sensors and sensor solutions for industrial applications. The company, founded by Dr. Erwin Sick in 1946 and based in Waldkirch-im-Breisgau near Freiburg, is a technology and market leader and has a global presence with more than 50 subsidiaries and associated companies, as well as numerous sales offices. During the 2018 fiscal year SICK employed almost 10,000 personnel worldwide, 5,660 of them at 14 sites in Germany, and achieved Group sales of about EUR 1.6 bn. Further information on SICK is available at http://www.sick.com.