

Alpha Trains Group NAMED NATIONAL CHAMPION IN THE EUROPEAN BUSINESS AWARDS 2016/17

Alpha Trains Group recognized in Europe's largest business competition

Alpha Trains Group has been named a National Champion for Luxembourg in The European Business Awards, sponsored by RSM; Europe's largest business competition set up to celebrate business excellence and best practice in the European business community.

The Awards, now in its 10th year, is supported by business leaders, academics and political representatives from across Europe, and this year engaged with over 33,000 businesses from 34 countries.

Alpha Trains Group has been chosen after the first phase of judging by an independent panel. They were evaluated on the core EBA values of innovation, ethics and success and will now go through to the second stage of the competition, which includes a video and a public vote.

Alpha Trains is the leading private rolling stock operating lessor in Continental Europe with more than fifteen years of experience as an investor, owner and manager of rolling stock. International teams in Luxembourg, Antwerp, Cologne and Madrid manage the Alpha Trains assets (regional passenger trains and freight locomotives) in 14 European countries.

Shaun Mills, CEO of Alpha Trains Group "We're very proud to be selected to represent Luxembourg as a National Champion. The European Business Awards is widely recognised as the showcase for Europe's most dynamic companies and we are proud to be recognised at this level."

Adrian Tripp, CEO of the European Business Awards said: "Congratulations to the Alpha Trains Group who has been selected to represent their country as National Champions. They are central to the success of Europe's strong business community, and have shown the core principles we look for of innovation, ethics and success."

The next round requires the National Champions to make a presentation video, telling their unique story and explaining their business success. The Awards' independent judges will award the best of this group the 'Ruban d'Honneur' status and the selected companies will then go on to the Gala Final in 2017.

Separately, in a two stage public vote, the videos will be hosted on the European Business Awards website, and the company who receives the most votes in their country will become the 'National Public Champion'. Last year over 227,000 votes were cast as companies were supported globally by their clients, staff and peers, as well as the general public.

Lead sponsor RSM, the sixth largest network of independent audit, tax and consulting firms worldwide has supported the European Business Awards since its inception. The Awards' core purpose is to support the development of a stronger and more successful business community throughout Europe. Additional sponsors and partners of the Awards include UK Trade and Investment, ELITE and PR Newswire.

In the 2015/16 competition, all EU member markets were represented plus Turkey, Norway, Switzerland, Serbia and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Their combined revenue exceeded €1.2 trillion employing over 2.5 million people.

For further information about the winners, the European Business Awards and RSM please go to www.businessawardseurope.com or www.rsmi.com and follow us on twitter at @rsmEBA

About Alpha Trains:

Alpha Trains is the leading private rolling stock operating lessor in Continental Europe. Alpha Trains has been an investor, owner and manager of rolling stock for over fifteen years, establishing an enviable record as a consistent, professional and innovative investor and manager of passenger trains and freight locomotives. The

rolling stock assets are managed by an international team of 85 people in our offices in Luxembourg, Antwerp, Cologne and Madrid.

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