Logistics Hall of Fame

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Press release

Heidi Senger-Weiss inducted into the Logistics Hall of Fame at the Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure

• The Austrian "grande dame" of logistics receives the membership certificate at the Federal Transport Ministry to the applause of the 150 guests of honour.

Unterföhring near Munich, November 25, 2015. It's now official: on Wednesday, Heidi Senger-Weiss, member of the Supervisory Board and partner at Austrian logistics service provider Gebrüder Weiss, was the first woman to be inducted into the logistics pantheon amid much jubilation.

150 guests of honour from the worlds of politics, science, industry and the media accepted the invitation of the Logistics Hall of Fame to celebrate the successful and inspirational logistics entrepreneur in the historic Erich Klausener Hall of the German Transport Ministry in Berlin. The glass-and-metal membership certificate was presented by Dorothee Bär, Parliamentary State Secretary at the Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure, and Member of the German Bundestag Parliament.

Heidi Senger-Weiss' husband, Paul Senger-Weiss, held a moving congratulatory speech in honour of the new member of the Logistics Hall of Fame. He described his wife as a family entrepreneur through and through, someone who always thinks in terms of generations and who never reacted hastily to quarterly financials. He outlined how she took over a regional freight forwarder in the 15th generation and worked in a team setting to successfully develop the firm into an international company. "With her expertise and commitment, my wife furthered the cause of the Gebrüder Weiss company and of the entire logistics sector, helping to underpin its key status in society and industry. Despite her success, she has always had both feet firmly on the ground, also with a constant awareness for the demands of her second job, namely as a mother of three children", Senger-Weiss emphasised in his speech.

The interesting programme also featured words of tribute from private and professional companions, including Klaus Hellmann, Managing Partner at Hellmann Worldwide Logistics, and Wolfgang Niessner, CEO of Gebrüder Weiss.

The Austrian is the 19th member of the international logistics pantheon. She was elected in September by an international expert jury from a total of 31 candidates from seven countries. Members of the Logistics Hall of Fame include entrepreneur and logistics benefactor Klaus-Michael Kühne as well as the contract logistics pioneers Heinz Fiege and Hugo Fiege, long-time President of the German Association of Road Haulage, Logistics and Disposal (BGL) Hermann Grewer, Dortmundbased logistics researcher Michael ten Hompel, the long-time CEO of BLG, Detthold Aden, BVL founder Hanspeter Stabenau and other innovative professors. The other major figures posthumously voted into the Hall of Fame include Gottlieb Daimler, inventor of the truck, William Tunner, the man who organised the Berlin Airlift, Gottfried Schenker as a pioneer of combined transportation, Eugene Clark, the inventor of the forklift truck, Malcom McLean, father of containerisation, and Japanese Toyota manager Taiichi Ohno, who invented the just-in-time concept.

The initiative is supported by the Federal Ministry of Transport as well as the relevant sector associations, media and companies, including the Port of Duisburg (duisport), logistics insurer Kravag, the Fahrzeugwerk Bernard Krone company, intralogistics provider Still, the Federal Central Cooperative for Road Transport (SVG) and the TimoCom freight exchange.

The Hall of Fame can be accessed free of charge at any time at www.logisticshalloffame.net and features information and photos on logistics milestones and the people behind them.

Photos from the gala reception can be downloaded (from Thursday Nov 26, 2015, 10 a.m.):

http://www.logisticshalloffame.net/en/press/press-information/heidi-senger-weiss-inducted-into-the-logisticshall-of-fame-at-the-federal-ministry-of-transport-and-digital-infrastructure

Photo download - members of the Logistics Hall of Fame:

http://www.logisticshalloffame.net/en/press/press-photos/mitglieder

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Background:

The Logistics Hall of Fame was founded in 2003 and honours leading figures who have made outstanding efforts to promote the further development of logistics and supply chain management. This eternal pantheon is also designed to remind future generations of the achievements of these individuals in the service of logistics. The aim of the Logistics Hall of Fame is to act as a worldwide platform to publicise the performance capability of logistics and its importance for society. The Logistics Hall of Fame is a non-profit initiative supported by the world of politics, associations, the logistics industry and logistics science. The patron of the Hall of Fame is Alexander Dobrindt, Federal Minister of Transport and Digital Infrastructure (BMVI). Supporters of the Logistics Hall of Fame: Federal Ministry of Transport and Digital Infrastructure (BMVI) German Association of Road Haulage, Logistics and Disposal (BGL) German Association Materials Management, Purchasing and Logistics (BME) German Association for Business, Transport and Logistics (BWVL) Bundesvereinigung Logistik (BVL) Business+Logistic DVV Media Group, Deutsche Verkehrs-Zeitung (DVZ) Association of German Freight Forwarders and Logistics Operators (DSLV) Deutsches Verkehrsforum European Logistics Association (ELA) International Federation of Freight Forwarders Associations (FIATA) International Road Transport Union (IRU) Port of Duisburg (duisport) Fahrzeugwerk Bernard Krone Kravag Lebensmittel Zeitung LT-manager Still Federal Central Cooperative for Road Transport (SVG) TimoCom wuermser.communications Reproduction free of charge. Courtesy copy requested.

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