

## HILTI TOOLMAKING UNIT RECEIVES TOP AWARD

Schaan (FL), November 8, 2018 – The toolmaking unit at Hilti's Plant in Schaan, Liechtenstein, is among the best in the German-speaking area. The team was among the three finalists in the Excellence in Production competition's category of internal toolmaking team of less than 50 employees.

"The entire team can be proud of this award as it serves to justify the high level of employee commitment which drives forward our technological differentiation and the ongoing improvement of our processes," explains Unit Manager Hans-Henning Weisbrich. Hilti's toolmaking unit was particularly praised for the effective planning and manufacturing of production tools. The experts also praised the persistent focus on the Hilti Group's Champion 2020 corporate strategy. Among other factors, the team receives the resources required to develop technologies, product ideas and processes, leading to faster prototype availability. This, in turn, supports the further development of innovation processes.

The jury consisted of representatives from the areas of science, politics, unions and industry. They evaluated technological capabilities as well as financial, organizational and strategic elements along the entire process chain. A team of experts also personally inspected the company and carried out an audit. Some 311 companies specializing in tool and mold making took part in the Excellence in Production competition. Fourteen participants were nominated for the final round. The competition was organized by the machine tool lab of RWTH Aachen University and by the Fraunhofer Institute for Production Technology in Aachen.

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