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‘Diamonds of the Polish Chemical Industry’ awarded

As the only contestant to collect three of the awards, the Grupa Azoty Group is the overall winner of this year’s Diamonds of the Polish Chemical Industry Gala.

Two of the Group companies were named Innovation

Leader and Investment Leader.

The Top

Executive of the Year Award went to Paweł Jarczewski,

President of the Grupa Azoty Management Board. The ‘Diamonds of the Polish Chemical Industry’ was organised for the third time by the Executive Club, an organisation bringing together top management staff of major Polish and international companies.

“This award is

yet another proof that constant development and investment is the right path

for the Grupa Azoty Group to follow. It is clear to us that if we stopped

growing, we would not be able to continue as a European leader in chemical

production. In addition to building Grupa Azoty’s position as a European

champion, we also want to support the entire chemical industry and Polish

economy. For me, this award is a recognition of not only my personal

commitment, but also of the excellent work done by all our Management Board

members and employees," said Paweł Jarczewski when collecting the award. The Innovation Leader Award went to Grupa Azoty Kędzierzyn. As the judging panel emphasised, Grupa Azoty ZAK is a company "set on innovation".

"We are

innovative, competitive and open to our customers' needs. Zakłady Azotowe Kędzierzyn is a regional benchmark in terms of capex investment. One of the projects we delivered this year is the Oxoviflex Unit, the first to produce this non-phthalic plasticizer in Poland. It is a perfect example of how seriously we treat innovation," said Adam Leszkiewicz, President of ZAK, commenting on the award. Grupa Azoty Puławy was named the Investment Leader. The company was awarded for the construction of a solid fertilizer plant, one of the most advanced facilities of this type in Europe. "This award ceremony has coincided with the official launch of the facility and start of production of PULGRAN® and PULGRAN®S, our two new fertilizer products. This project closes our five-year programme to build the new Fertilizers Complex in Puławy, worth almost PLN 0.5bn. The Complex will help the Grupa Azoty Group to continue as a long-term leader in fertilizer production," said Marian Rybak, President of Grupa Azoty Puławy.

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Polish Chemical Industry celebrate excellent achievements in the industry. The aim of the contest is to promote people and companies dedicated to the chemical industry who stand out for their extensive expertise, economic efficiency, innovation, ethical values and business responsibility. The awards were presented in ten categories: Investment Project of the Year, Innovation Leader of the Year, Product of the Year, Environmental Leader, CSR Leader, Personality of the Year, Supporting Entity of the Year, Top Executive of the Year, Human Capital Investor, and Advisor of the Year. The event was organised under the honorary patronage of the Ministry of State Treasury.