

SUNFIRE GMBH IS NAMED IN THE 2014 GLOBAL CLEANTECH 100

- **List Recognizes the Top Private Companies in Clean Technology**

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sunfire GmbH, a developer of high-temperature fuel cells, electrolysers and a pioneer in the fields of Power-to-Liquids and Power-to-Gas, today announced it was named in the prestigious 2014 Global Cleantech 100, produced by Cleantech Group, whose mission is to connect corporates to sustainable innovation through the i3 market intelligence platform, expert consulting services, and global events. Yesterday Carl von Berninghausen, founder and CEO at sunfire attended the festive “Global Cleantech 100 Summit & Gala” in Washington D.C., where he received his prize in person.

“The entire sunfire team is very proud of this award. The Cleantech group has provided high level support throughout the past two years and has contributed to the international awareness of the technology developed by sunfire. We are very grateful for that. To us becoming part of the circle of 2014 Global Cleantech 100 is an incentive above all. We have to learn to globally rely upon renewable energies and not just focus on Germany. Our technology can make an important contribution, under the prerequisite that we now intensify our efforts to focus on its industrialization together with our partners. Together with the Cleantech Group this will be our next step”, says Carl von Berninghausen.

The Global Cleantech 100 represents the most innovative and promising ideas in cleantech. Featuring companies that are best positioned to solve tomorrow’s clean technology challenges, Global Cleantech 100 is a comprehensive list of private companies with the highest potential to make the most significant market impact. This list is collated by combining proprietary Cleantech Group research data, with weighted qualitative judgments of hundreds of nominations, and specific inputs from a global 84-person Expert Panel.

This year, a record number of nominations were received: 5,995 distinct companies from 60 countries. The 84-member expert panel was drawn equally from leading financial investors and representatives of multinational corporations and industrials active in technology and innovation scouting across Asia, Europe, and North America. The composition of the expert panel broadly represents the global cleantech community, from pioneers and leaders to veterans and new entrants. The diversity of panelists results in a list of companies that command an expansive base of respect and support from many important players within the global cleantech innovation ecosystem.

The complete list of 100 companies was revealed on October 6th at the Global Cleantech 100 Summit & Gala in Washington, D.C. ([Link](#)). For complete information on sunfire’s leadership within the cleantech space, access i3 by visiting i3connect.com -- Cleantech Group’s leading market intelligence platform and search for sunfire.

ABOUT CLEANTECH GROUP

Founded in 2002, Cleantech Group’s mission is to accelerate sustainable innovation. Core to this mission is i3, an online platform that connects corporates with innovation, at scale, by allowing them to find, vet, and connect with start-ups—efficiently building an innovation pipeline. In conjunction with i3, we offer premium Advisory Services for corporates in need of expertise designing and executing strategies for sustainable innovation, and managing the pipeline created in i3. The i3 platform comes to life at our global Events, which convene corporates and start-ups, along with other players shaping the future of sustainable innovation.

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ABOUT SUNFIRE

Founded in 2010, sunfire GmbH is a pioneer in the fields of Power-to-Liquids, Power-to-Gas and Gas-to-Power. The Dresden-based cleantech firm develops new technologies for the efficient, closed-carbon-cycle energy supply of the future. sunfire focuses both on high-temperature electrolysis which enables the efficient conversion of regenerative electricity to liquid fuels or gas, and the further development of high-temperature fuel cells.

sunfire was founded by Carl Berninghausen, Christian von Olshausen and Nils Aldag. The firm is supported by business angels, Bilfinger Venture Capital, ERP Startfonds at KfW, Total Energy Ventures and Electranova Capital - a cleantech venture capital fund managed by Iinvest Partners and sponsored by EDF Group and Allianz.

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