



British Chamber of Commerce in Germany

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BCCG Announces 1000th Member, The Linde Group - BCCG doubles membership -

The British Chamber of Commerce in Germany is proud to announce its 1000th member, The Linde Group. Linde has joined BCCG with its corporate headquarter in Munich and subsidiaries in Germany and the UK.

Thomas Haberkamm, Head of Public Affairs of Linde Group: „After acquisition of the British gas company BOC in September 2006, the economic and trade relations as well as the political relations between Germany and the UK have become much more important to us. The British Chamber offers Linde with its services, its events and networks a great forum to intensify the British-German dialogue.“

Norbert Strohschen, BCCG President: „We are glad to welcome our new Sustaining Member, The Linde Group, as the 1000th member of BCCG. BCCG is one of the oldest international chambers of commerce in Germany and our membership has almost doubled since mid 2003. The increase in membership signifies the success of our new strategy, decided and implemented with our new managing director, Andreas Meyer-Schwickerath, in 2003.

BCCG was founded in 1919 in Cologne and Hamburg and closed in 1932. In 1960 it was renewed first in the British Embassy in Bonn. By now, BCCG has achieved its status as the largest British-German economic networking organisation as well as the largest British Chamber in Continental Europe. HM Ambassador to Germany, Sir Peter Torry KCMG, is the patron of BCCG.

BCCG is present in all regions in Germany as well as in the UK with honorary committees, i. e. in Baden-Wuerttemberg, Bavaria, Berlin/Brandenburg, Great Britain (London), Hamburg/Northern Germany, Northrhine-Westphalia, Rhine/Main, Saxony and Saxony-Anhalt/Thuringia.

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