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## Christoph Ingenhoven commended as „Düsseldorfer of the Year“

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Every year, the gala "Düsseldorfer des Jahres" honors people who have made outstanding contributions to the state capital. In other words, it celebrates local patriotism in all its forms. There are six award categories: Economy, Sports, Culture, Lifetime Achievement, Volunteering and Innovation & Sustainability. Christoph Ingenhoven convinced the jury as this year's laureate in the latter category. "Sustainability in architecture has three dimensions: an ecological, economic and a sociocultural one. Christoph Ingenhoven stands for sustainability. He does the right things - he does them very well and especially in a beautiful fashion. He has a passion for the great ideas of our time - and for every detail.", said Patrick Schwarz-Schütte, Düsseldorf entrepreneur, about Christoph Ingenhoven in his laudatory speech.

The gala, organized by regional newspaper Rheinische Post, took place for the 11th time and brought together 500 guests in the steel halls on the area Böhler. The former award winners include, among others, the rock band "die Toten Hosen" (Lifetime Achievement, 2018), artistic photographer Andreas Gursky (Culture, 2016) and dementia researcher Dr. med. Oliver Bananch (Innovation & Sustainability, 2017).

Christoph Ingenhoven, born in 1960, studied architecture and art history at the RWTH Aachen and at the Kunstakademie Düsseldorf under Hans Hollein. He is a founding member of the German Sustainable Building Council (DGNB) and the Federal Foundation for Building Culture. He is also a member of the North Rhine-Westphalian Academy of Sciences and Arts. In 1985, he founded the architecture office ingenhoven architects. Christoph Ingenhoven is one of the world's leading architects

committed to sustainable architecture. The ecologically and economically responsible use of resources is the focus of his designs and the quality has been confirmed with the highest certifications according to international standards such as LEED, Swiss Minergie Standard, BREEAM and DGNB.

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