

Press Information

KYOCERA Named Among Top 100 Global Innovators by Clarivate Analytics

Company recognized for patent success rate and global reach for fourth consecutive year

Kyoto/London – April 24th, 2018. Kyocera Corporation (President: Hideo Tanimoto) was recognized today as one of the Top 100 Global Innovators by Clarivate Analytics, a worldwide information solutions provider. Kyocera's 2017 patent success rate and global reach were identified as outstanding, marking the fourth consecutive year for Kyocera to receive this recognition. The award was presented at Kyocera headquarters in Kyoto, Japan.

The Top 100 Global Innovators awards have been presented annually since 2011 to recognize leading enterprises and research institutions for their innovative efforts. Honorees are selected by Clarivate Analytics after an analysis of intellectual property (IP) and patents using Clarivate's original methodology.

Candidates are evaluated by patent and citation data across four main criteria: "Volume," "Success," "Globalization," and "Influence." Among these, Kyocera's "Success" and "Globalization" during 2017 led to its recognition among the top innovators.

Kyocera has a tradition of innovative research and development, as well as a deep respect for the IP rights of others. The company has established patent offices in Japan, the U.S., China, and Germany to maximize IP development and protection in its principal markets of information & communications, automotive, environment & energy, and medical & healthcare. Kyocera holds a diverse range of patents including smartphone-related technologies, wireless IoT technologies, and applied technologies for piezoelectric devices. In 2017, Kyocera Group companies obtained a total of 1,144 patents in the U.S., according to the top 1,000 list announced by U.S.-based IFI CLAIMS Patent Service in January 2018.



Kyocera's Junichi Jinno (left), General Manager of Corporate Legal and Intellectual Property Group, receives trophy from Hirofumi Hino, Head of Clarivate





Methodology of Top 100 Global Innovators

Clarivate Analytics surveys four main criteria to select the Top 100 Global Innovators. Details are available at: <http://top100innovators.clarivate.com/content/methodology>

About Clarivate Analytics

Clarivate Analytics (C.A.) is the global leader in providing trusted insights and analytics to accelerate the pace of innovation. Building on a heritage going back more than a century and a half, C.A. has built some of the most trusted brands across the innovation lifecycle, including Web of Science, Cortellis, Derwent, CompuMark, MarkMonitor and Techstreet. C.A. is a new and independent company on a bold entrepreneurial mission to help our clients radically reduce the time from new ideas to life-changing innovations.

For more information on KYOCERA: www.kyocera.co.uk

About KYOCERA

Headquartered in Kyoto, Japan, Kyocera Corporation is one of the world's leading manufacturers of fine ceramic components for the technology industry. The strategically important divisions in the Kyocera Group, which is comprised of 231 subsidiaries (as of March 31, 2017), are information and communications technologies, products which increase quality of life, and environmentally friendly products. The technology group is also one of the oldest producers of solar energy systems worldwide, with more than 40 years of experience in the industry.

The company is ranked #522 on Forbes magazine's 2017 "Global 2000" listing of the world's largest publicly traded companies. With a global workforce of over 70,000 employees, Kyocera posted net sales of approximately €11.86 billion in fiscal year 2016/2017. The products marketed by the company in Europe include printers, digital copying systems, microelectronic components, and fine ceramic products. The Kyocera Group has two independent companies in the United Kingdom: Kyocera Fineceramics Ltd. and Kyocera Document Solutions.

The company also takes an active interest in cultural affairs. The Kyoto Prize, a prominent international award, is presented each year by the Inamori Foundation — established by Kyocera founder Dr. Kazuo Inamori — to individuals and groups worldwide who have contributed significantly to the scientific, cultural, and spiritual betterment of humankind (converted at approximately €400,000 per prize category).

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