

## ORGANOCLICK FROM SWEDEN NAMED NATIONAL CHAMPION IN THE EUROPEAN BUSINESS AWARDS 2016/17

OrganoClick AB recognised in Europe's largest business competition

OrganoClick has been named a National Champion for Sweden in The European Business Awards, sponsored by RSM; Europe's largest business competition set up to celebrate business excellence and best practice in the European business community.

The Awards, now in its 10th year, is supported by business leaders, academics and political representatives from across Europe, and this year engaged with over 33,000 businesses from 34 countries.

OrganoClick has been chosen after the first phase of judging by an independent panel. They were evaluated on the core EBA values of innovation, ethics and success and will now go through to the second stage of the competition, which includes a video and a public vote.

OrganoClick is a Swedish cleantech company that develops, produces and markets functional materials based on environmentally friendly fiber chemistry. Examples of products that are marketed by OrganoClick are the water repellent fabric treatment OrganoTex®, the flame and rot protected wooden material OrganoWood® (through the subsidiary company OrganoWood AB) and biobased binders for non-woven materials. OrganoClick was founded in 2006 as a commercial spinoff company based on academic research examining the modification of biofibers performed at Stockholm University and the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences.

"We're very proud to be selected to represent Sweden as a National Champion. The European Business Awards is widely recognised as the showcase for Europe's most dynamic companies and we are proud to be recognised at this level", says Mårten Hellberg, CEO OrganoClick.

Adrian Tripp, CEO of the European Business Awards said: "Congratulations to OrganoClick who have been selected to represent their country as National Champions. They are central to the success of Europe's strong business community, and have shown the core principles we look for of innovation, ethics and success."

The next round requires the National Champions to make a presentation video, telling their unique story and explaining their business success. The Awards' independent judges will award the best of this group the 'Ruban d'Honneur' status and the selected companies will then go on to the Gala Final in 2017.

Separately, in a two stage public vote, the videos will be hosted on the European Business Awards website, and the company who receives the most votes in their country will become the 'National Public Champion'. Last year over 227,000 votes were cast as companies were supported globally by their clients, staff and peers, as well as the general public.

Lead sponsor RSM, the sixth largest network of independent audit, tax and consulting firms worldwide has supported the European Business Awards since its inception. The Awards' core purpose is to support the development of a stronger and more successful business community throughout Europe. Additional sponsors and partners of the Awards include UK Trade and Investment, ELITE and PR Newswire.

In the 2015/16 competition, all EU member markets were represented plus Turkey, Norway, Switzerland, Serbia and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. Their combined revenue exceeded €1.2 trillion employing over 2.5 million people.

For further information about the winners, the European Business Awards and RSM please go to <u>www.businessawardseurope.com</u> or <u>www.rsmi.com</u> and follow us on twitter at @rsmEBA

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## About OrganoClick

OrganoClick AB (publ) is a Swedish cleantech company listed on Nasdaq First North that develops, produces and markets functional materials based on environmentally friendly fiber chemistry. Examples of products that are marketed by OrganoClick are the water repellent fabric treatment OrganoTex®, the flame and rot protected woode material OrganoWood® (through the subsidiary company OrganoWood AB) and biobased binders for non-woven materials. OrganoClick was founded in 2006 as a commercial spinoff company based on academic research examining the modification of biofibers performed at Stockholm University and the Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences. OrganoClick has won several prizes and has been designated "Sweden's most promising start-up company", Sweden's best environmental innovation and has appeared on the Affärsvärldens och NyTekniks top 33 list of "Sweden's hottest technology companies". The company has also received a number of awards, such as The Worldwide Fund for Nature (WWF) "Climate Solver" award. OrganoClick's headquarters are in Täby, north of Stockholm, where the company's production, R&D, sales and marketing departments are located. OrganoClick's Certified Adviser on Nasdaq First North is Erik PenserB ank.