**Press Release**

EFQM Excellence Award Prize Winner

**GC Europe scores Platinum in brand new EFQM Global Excellence Index**

Leuven, October 2017 – After recently taking the trophy as Prize Winner in EFQM Excellence Award, GC Europe is now awarded a Platinum degree in EFQM Global Excellence Index, in the Healthcare category. EFQM is the European Foundation for Quality Management, committed to helping organisations drive improvement through the EFQM Excellence Model, a comprehensive management framework widely used worldwide.

Born from the ambition to promote global Excellence across sectors and facilitate benchmarking, the EFQM Global Excellence Index is a platform where organisations will be recognised by EFQM and can profile themselves within their sector and feature their best and role model practices...

GC Europe scored over 700 points in this index, resulting in a Platinum score. The EFQM Global Excellence Index is a unique platform developed by EFQM, that recognises GC as a best performing organisation on its way to sustainable Excellence, but there’s more. It’s also a showcase web platform, promoting GC’s best and role model practices and finally, another way to promote GC’s excellence efforts beyond the regular EFQM recognition scheme.

Ultimately, visiting the Index will allow individuals and organisations to gain a deeper understanding of what makes GC a leader for Excellence and how it got there.

**A proven track record in excellence**

Over the years, GC has been awarded for its excellence in quality, including being the first company in the dental industry to receive the internationally renowned Deming Award in 2000. This award is the highest honour in the area of quality, and is conferred on companies or individuals that have made a significant improvement in business results through TQM implementation.

GC received the Japan Quality Medal in 2004, which is regarded worldwide as the highest recognition for quality management in organizations. Following these achievements, many of GC’s global entities were challenged and have also received the Deming Prize. Finally, in 2016 was ranked 1st in the 9th Quality Management Level Research in 2016, conducted by the Union of Japanese Scientists and Engineers (JUSE).

In Europe, GC has excelled in the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) award system, most recently recognised as EFQM Prize Winner in Leading with Vision, Inspiration and Integrity in the European Excellence Award 2016.

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