

# Press release

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## World class equestrian event: GEZE sponsors the 2018 German Masters

The international equestrian elite met in Stuttgart this weekend.

In the 34th German Masters tournament, Steve Guerdat won the highly prestigious ,GEZE GmbH Prize. The jumping competition, traditionally sponsored by GEZE, again took place on the Saturday of the tournament.

### ,Winner's coat‘ for a global star

Two great talents, Steve Guerdat in the saddle of Venard de Cerisy, won the challenging Category 5 jumping competition with two rounds. The Swiss rider is an Olympic champion, is at the top of the World Cup ranking, and is currently Number 2 in the international ranking. He beat the equally speedy German, Christian Kukuk and his horse Lacasino with a rapid round in the jump-off. The Belgian Jos Verlooy came in third place on Oaks Redwood. We at GEZE extend our heartfelt congratulations!

### A split-second decision

All three pairs of horses and riders mastered the showjumping course without any mistakes. The favourites were separated by only a few hundredths of a second. The times were incredibly close together:

1st place:	Steve Guerdat	38.08 seconds
2nd place:	Christian Kukuk	38.94 seconds
3rd place:	Jos Verlooy	39.35 seconds

43 pairs of horses and riders saddled up for the GEZE competition, with 12 making it through to the final winning round.

### Inspiring talent and connection

As you can see, a rider doesn't just need a talented horse in top form – there's also a tiny bit of luck involved. Spectators were treated to an exciting contest and were able to witness the special relationship between horses and riders up close; this unique connection, resulting in impressive performance, is built on passion, courage, determination, trust and communication.



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### Strong connections with GEZE

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For us, connection is also the key to success. We connect all the agencies involved in the development of a building or project into one efficient network, throughout the lifecycle of a building – and that's not all. Our professional skill, potential for new developments and expertise in a wide variety of industries involving doors and windows lead to outstanding results for our customers.

### Visible commitment in equestrianism

In the stands, on TV, or in online media: who was not aware of this before, could see our commitment and relation to equestrianism in the design of the Schleyer Hall. Spectators also had the opportunity to experience an entirely new kind of convenience for doors, with the new, multi award-winning GEZE ActiveStop door damper.

Find out more here:

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Caption:

Congratulations to the world class pair

Winning horse Venard de Cerisy – protected and decorated after all his efforts in the winner's coat in GEZE colours.

Sandra Alber congratulates Steve Guerdat on the 'GEZE GmbH Prize'.

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## About GEZE

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The GEZE brand stands for innovation and for top quality products, processes and services. GEZE is one of the leaders in the global market and it is a reliable partner worldwide for door, window and safety technology products and systems. No matter what the requirements of a building are – GEZE implements optimum solutions and combines functionality and security with comfort and design.

GEZE door closers open up numerous technical and visual possibilities. Every day, millions of people go through doors equipped with the overhead door closers from the TS 5000 series and enjoy the comfort of automatic door systems, e.g. the Slimdrive range. Barrier free door and window systems provide greater comfort, not only for people with restricted mobility. The glass systems and fitting solutions for the attractively designed sliding systems are the ultimate in design aesthetics. GEZE also offers a wide product range in the field of window and ventilation technology. Complete „intelligent“ smoke and heat extraction solutions (RWA) and a comprehensive selection of door systems for RWA air supply solutions are also available for preventive fire protection. GEZE's safety technology includes escape and rescue route solutions, lock technology, and access control systems.

The GEZE building management system provides an overview of a building's entire technical facilities. With its systems expertise, GEZE creates coordinated system solutions which combine individual functional and safety requirements in one intelligent system. GEZE product solutions have received numerous awards and can be found in renowned structures all over the world.

The company has a global presence with 31 subsidiaries, 27 of which are outside Germany, a flexible and highly efficient sales and service network, and 3,000 employees. In the 2017/2018 fiscal year, GEZE achieved a turnover of over 430 million euros.

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