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CGDC AWARD 2012 “MUSIC FOR DIALOGUE” FOR “THE SCORPIONS”

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In line with the CGDC’s vision of encouraging dialogue to create political change, the CGDC 2012 “Music for Dialogue” award is granted to “The Scorpions”.

The Center for Global Dialogue and Cooperation – CGDC’s mission is to gather the most influential individuals in the field of politics, business and humanitarian action in order to create dialogue across boundaries, ethnicities, cultures and vocations. Its goal is to generate a powerful “Wind of Change” and find solutions to the most pressing global problems.

The founders and President of the Center for Global Dialogue and Cooperation – CGDC, are honored to nominate The Scorpions for the CGDC Award 2012 “Music for Dialogue” for their exceptional contribution to promoting world peace and understanding through music. They hope that the Scorpions’ unstinting pursuit of universal ideals through art will provide a model and an inspiration to all those who take part in the 2nd CGDC Meeting.

The CGDC is honored that “The Scorpions” are taking a break from their arduous world tour to participate in this meeting. Their commitment is testament to how closely they identify with the CGDC’s goals.

Klaus Meine, who will collect the award on behalf of the band, is “The Scorpions” lead singer and writes most of the group’s lyrics. His words to the song “Wind of Change” came to symbolize the re-unification of Germany. In 2005, “Wind of Change” was voted “Song of the Century” by viewers of Germany’s ZDF television channel.

Klaus Meine, who was born in Hannover, joined the Scorpions in 1970 and has since helped make the band one of the most popular rock groups in history. Their music has sold over 100 million recordings.

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ABOUT THE CGDC:

The Center for Global Dialogue and Cooperation is a politically independent, international Non-Governmental Organization which fosters dialogue between business and politics to create international standards in transparency. The CGDC has its headquarters in Vienna and was founded in 2009 by the Bulgarian oil and gas entrepreneur Mr. Stamen Stantchev; His Excellency, Petar Stoyanov, former Bulgarian President; Walter Schwimmer, former Secretary General to the Council of Europe 1999 2004; Werner Faslabend, Former Defence Secretary of Austria; and the international property developer Etienne Declercq. His Excellency Petar Stoyanov is the current CGDC President.

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