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### **Award: Solteature is one of the world's leading cleantech companies**

#### **The Berlin solar technology company has been named a 'Global Cleantech 100' company for the third time in a row**

**Berlin, 27 October 2011** – Solteature has been named one of the world's top 100 cleantech companies for the third time in a row. The prestigious 'Global Cleantech 100' list highlights private companies distinguished by their potential for success and special achievements in developing and commercialising clean and environmentally friendly technologies. The Berlin module and system manufacturer was already included in the list of the world's most promising cleantech companies in 2009 and 2010.

"We're absolutely thrilled to be awarded again," says CEO Dr Nikolaus Meyer. "It once again confirms our future-oriented strategy of developing and selling solar modules that combine environmentally friendly energy generation with the trend towards ecological construction."

The award is conferred by Guardian News and Media in conjunction with the Cleantech Group™, LLC. This year 4,274 companies from all over the world were nominated and the advisory panel, which consisted of 70 industry experts, determined the top 100 companies. "This year's list truly reflects not only the most interesting companies but also the mainstreaming of this dynamic industry," says Richard Youngman, founder of Global Cleantech 100.

As one of the leading producers of thin-film solar modules made of CIS semiconductors, Solteature has impressed the industry since 2003 with its development and production of cutting edge photovoltaic systems. Solar modules made of CIS semiconductors offer considerable scope for development, are much thinner than conventional modules and have considerably reduced manufacturing costs. In addition, they also impress with their elegant appearance. A further feature of this technology is that the energy required for their production is just half of that needed for the manufacture of conventional solar modules. This vastly improves the environmental benefits provided by the Solteature products and transforms them into an ecologically and economically optimised solution.

You can find further information and the complete report on the Global Cleantech 100 at: <http://www.cleantech.com/global-cleantech-100/>.

**About Solteature**

*Based in Berlin, Solteature is a leading manufacturer of CIS-based thin-film solar modules and a provider of comprehensive system solutions for solar construction. Stemming from the thin-film pioneer Sulfurcell, the company's history has witnessed several important technological milestones: ranging from the early market introduction of the first thin-film modules based on CIS semiconductors in 2005 to the latest efficiency record of 13%. In recent years, renowned international investors, including Intel Capital, Climate Change Capital, Vattenfall Europe and GdF Suez Solteature, have provided growth financing amounting to more than 110 million euros. This fresh capital has been utilised for constructing new production facilities and for research and development.*

Further information is available at: [www.solteature.de](http://www.solteature.de)