Artitalia Group Inc. named one of Canada's Best Managed Companies



Quebec, Montreal, May 13, 2021 (Issuewire.com) - Artitalia Group Inc. was recognized for overall business performance and sustained growth with prestigious Canada's Best Managed Companies designation. The 2021 Best Managed program award winners are amongst the best-in-class of Canadian-owned and managed companies demonstrating leadership in the areas of strategy, capabilities and innovation, culture and commitment, and financials to achieve sustainable growth. Now in its 28th year, Canada's Best Managed Companies remains one of the country's leading business awards programs recognizing Canadian-owned and managed companies for innovative, world-class business practices. Every year, hundreds of entrepreneurial companies compete for this designation in a rigorous and independent process that evaluates the calibre of their management abilities and practices.

Through these incredibly challenging times, our organization has been resilient in dealing with adversity. Artitalia Group has proven to be a viable and strong organization because of our commitment to innovation, design, technology, and the passion of our staff and associates. This year our entire workforce was relentless, working around the clock to design and engineer products to help our customers in essential businesses continue to operate safely.

"This year's Best Managed winners are a shining example of the importance of leadership in the face of adversity," said Peter Brown, Partner, Deloitte Private and Co-Leader, Canada's Best Managed Companies program. "By using their unique purpose as the bedrock of their organizational foundation, they were able to chart a path forward with courage and resilience. In a year unlike any other, these companies should be proud not only of this prestigious designation but the ever-important role they play in the progress and prosperity of Canada."

Applicants are evaluated by an independent judging panel comprised of representatives from program sponsors in addition to special guest judges. 2021 Best Managed companies share commonalities that include (but are not limited to) enabling a remote workforce, making employee health a top priority, acting with an increased sense of purpose and social responsibility and a significantly heightened focus on cash flow.

"We are very honored to receive this award once again, especially during these trying times," said Enzo Vardaro, SVP-Chief Commercial Officer & Co-Owner of Artitalia Group Inc. "It takes a collective effort to govern and operate an organization as large as Artitalia Group. This year, the spirit of cooperation demonstrated by our workforce was inspiring and critical to our goals."

"The past year has posed numerous challenges for Canadian businesses and has touched each and everyone in some form or another—including this year's Best Managed winners," Kari Lockhart, Partner, Deloitte Private, and Co-Leader,

Canada's Best Managed Companies. "They should be extremely proud of this designation and use it as a catalyst to continue the work they do each and every day. Their unwavering commitment to their people, and their adaptability amid a year of turmoil, has led them to this achievement and it mustn't go unnoticed."

2021 winners of Canada's Best Managed Companies award will be honoured at a virtual gala. The Best Managed virtual symposium will address leading-edge business issues that are key to the success of today's business leaders.

The Best Managed program is sponsored by Deloitte Private, CIBC, Canadian Business, Smith School of Business, and TMX Group.

About Canada's Best Managed Companies

Canada's Best Managed Companies continues to be the mark of excellence for Canadian-owned and managed companies with revenues over \$25 million. Every year since the launch of the program in 1993, hundreds of entrepreneurial companies have competed for this designation in a rigorous and independent process that evaluates their management skills and practices.

The awards are granted on four levels: 1) Canada's Best Managed Companies new winner (new winners selected each year); 2) Canada's Best Managed Companies winner (award recipients that have re-applied and successfully

retained their Best Managed designation for two additional years, subject to annual operational and financial review); 3) Gold Standard winner (after three consecutive years of maintaining their Best Managed status, these winners have demonstrated their commitment to the program and successfully retained their award for 4-6 consecutive years); 4) Platinum Club member (winners that have maintained their Best Managed status for seven years or more). Program sponsors are Deloitte Private,

CIBC, Canadian Business, Smith School of Business, and TMX Group. For further information, visit http://www.bestmanagedcompanies.ca.

About Artitalia Group Inc. (www.artitalia.com)

With over 35 years of experience and fueled by creativity and innovation, Artitalia Group delivers custom quality products both quickly and cost-effectively. Our mission is to design and manufacture innovative, custom products that effectively meet our clients' needs in all the markets we serve: Retail, Hospitality and Restaurant, Material Handling, and Mail and Parcel.

Our client-centric approach enables us to partner with our clients, find solutions to their challenges all while offering the support needed to create custom-manufactured programs in order to satisfy all the necessary requirements to make their project a success—every step of the way. With offices in Canada, the United States, and China,

Artitalia Group employs more than 500 employees in facilities that total

1 200 000sq.ft.

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