



## **Big help for little people from star: donation for children with cancer is more than tripled – to € 8,500.**

**In this Bundesliga handball season, star petrol stations are once again making a donation for every goal scored by THW Kiel professional Patrick Wiencek to the children's cancer ward at the Schleswig-Holstein University Medical Centre, Kiel campus. The star brand has shown its particular soft spot for children, increasing the sum for each goal from 50 to 100 euros.**

The fans in handball team THW Kiel's stadium celebrate every goal, but now the staff and the little patients at the Schleswig-Holstein University Medical Centre are also happy to see Patrick Wiencek score as many goals as possible. With the 74 goals he has scored so far, two games before the end of the season, the team's pivot has generated 7,400 euros for child cancer-sufferers. The petrol station company has rounded this figure up to 8,500 euros for good measure. This means the sum donated is more than triple last year's figure.

"Helping sick children is something we feel very strongly about. That's why we're extremely active in this area – particularly in Schleswig-Holstein", stresses Wieslaw Milkiewicz, Press Spokesperson and Managing Director of ORLEN Deutschland GmbH. On a visit to the children's cancer ward following the first successful year of player sponsorship, Milkiewicz was able to see for himself just how much good a donation can do for the children. He therefore considers it a given that star will continue its efforts next season too. The partnership with handball team THW Kiel is also entering the next phase: On Sunday evening the contract between the two popular brands from Schleswig-Holstein was officially extended.

This year's donation presentation once again took place during half time on the court of the Sparkassen-Arena in Kiel. At the THW Bundesliga home game against Flensburg on 11 May, the donation cheque was presented to Dr Gunnar Cario, consultant in children's oncology at the Schleswig-Holstein University Medical Centre. The clinic aims to use the money to expand the



range of sports available for their little patients and to add to its range of equipment. Despite the intensive therapy they undergo, children on the ward need to be physically active to strengthen their muscles and to get mobile again more quickly.

**star – a strong brand from ORLEN Deutschland GmbH**

star is the petrol station brand of ORLEN Deutschland GmbH, which has been operating more than 550 petrol stations in the northern half of Germany since 2003. The company, which is based in Elmshorn, near Hamburg, is part of the Polish oil and petrochemicals group PKN ORLEN SA, which is the largest company in central-east Europe with an annual turnover of EUR 27 billion in 2013.

PKN ORLEN SA is listed on the Warsaw and London stock exchanges and is represented on the petrol station market in Eastern and Central Europe with a total of 2,700 petrol stations in Poland, the Czech Republic, Germany and Lithuania. In recent years, large investments have been made in Lithuania and the Czech Republic in order to bring the group a step closer to its goal of becoming the leading oil company in Central Europe.

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