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### **Befesa amongst top 3 at European Small and Mid-Cap Awards**

*Luxembourg, 5 December 2018* – Befesa S.A. (“Befesa”), the European market leader for steel dust and aluminium salt slags recycling services, came among the top 3 in the ‘Star of 2018’ category at the European Small and Mid-Cap Awards. According to the independent jury, Befesa showed exceptional performance and corporate citizenship.

The European Small and Mid-Cap Awards aim to promote best practice and encourage more small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) to access the capital market via IPOs. The Awards are a joint initiative by the European Commission, the Federation of European Securities Exchanges (FESE) and EuropeanIssuers. Befesa was shortlisted as one of three European companies and represented the only company listed on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange.

Javier Molina, CEO of Befesa, said: “It is a big honour for us to receive the award after our successful IPO one year ago and our inclusion in the SDAX in September. The award re-confirms that we made the right decision to list Befesa at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange and encourages us to continue to develop and grow Befesa going forward.”

The jury was looking for newly listed mid-cap companies that stand out in the crowd and show clear growth potential. The companies also had to demonstrate that they are well-managed and that their share price had developed positively since listing.

Befesa received the award at the annual ceremony in Brussels which was first organised by EuropeanIssuers and the FESE in 2013. Together, the two associations represent the European stock exchanges and the companies listed on them. The Awards were first founded at the initiative of the Directorate-General for Internal Market, Industry, Entrepreneurship and SMEs (small and medium sized enterprises) of the European Commission and showcase the diversity of European capital markets. The aim is to promote stock listings, in particular for SMEs and growth companies as they are critical to European economic recovery and to accomplishing the European Union’s goals of job creation, competitiveness and growth.

#### **About Befesa**

Befesa is a leading international provider of critical environmental regulated services to the steel and aluminium industries with facilities located in Germany, Spain, Sweden, France and the UK, as well as in Turkey and South Korea. Through its two business units, Steel Dust and Aluminium Salt Slags recycling services, Befesa manages and recycles more than 1,300kt of residues annually, with a production of more than 600kt of new materials, which Befesa reintroduces in the market, reducing the consumption of natural resources. Further information can be found on the company’s website: [www.befesa.com](http://www.befesa.com)

Since 3 November 2017, shares of Befesa have been traded at the Frankfurt Stock Exchange. Befesa’s shares are traded under the International Securities Identification Number (ISIN) LU1704650164 and the German securities identification number (WKN) A2H5Z1. Their ticker symbol is BFS.A.

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