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**Successful right from the start:**

**TOPlus chuck from HAINBUCH awarded Innovation Prize from Initiative  
Mittelstand**

MARBACH. The TOPlus mineral-cast chuck has been making headlines ever since it was introduced to the market. The hexagonal chuck is impressive with 25% more holding power, central lubrication, improved dampening characteristics and a clamping head that is fitted jointlessly and solidly to the chuck surfaces and thus does not permit any radial displacement between clamping head and chuck body. Recently the trend-setting clamp concept has also been honored with an award: The 2007 Innovation Prize in the machine tool category.

Since 2006 this prize has been awarded by the Initiative Mittelstand to companies with the most innovative products for medium-sized businesses. »With TOPlus we hit a home run right from the start«, explains marketing director Sylvia Rail, »and I am not referring to just our customers alone. I am really pleased that we have been awarded the Innovation Prize. After all, more than 300 companies competed in 20 categories. And now to be included among the prize winners is additional proof that we are on the right path.« A path that was not always easy, however it was a path from which the Marbach firm, known for its innovative power, could not be dissuaded. A new chapter in machining history is only written by those who have the courage to leave the beaten paths.