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■ **Abbe Center of Photonics – Status & Perspectives in Science & Education 2016**

Dear Prof. Dreischuh,

at the Friedrich Schiller University Jena in Germany, optics and photonics have evolved into a major field of research and education with high visibility. As a major event in 2016, we had been celebrating the inauguration of the **Abbe Center of Photonics (ACP)**, a new academic research building. This building, now in operation, offers great opportunities with regard to our commitment in multidisciplinary optics and photonics research, education and innovation. With our approach to unify application-oriented research and dedicated education programs, particularly by means of our integrated **Abbe School of Photonics (ASP)**, we aim at establishing the ACP as your solid and sustainable partner in optics and photonics.

Eventually, this development was facilitated thanks to a vivid cooperation with our numerous scientific partners. With this letter we wish to acknowledge our fruitful scientific exchange and our successful cooperation during the last years. Likewise, we warmly invite you to consider the attached booklet „ACP – Status & Perspectives in Science & Education“. Hopefully this lecture may serve you as an inspiring source for new projects along with our sustainable and long-term scientific relationship.

We are always happy to welcome you one day at the ACP in Jena.

Sincerely yours,

Abbe Center of Photonics' board of directors and chief executive office

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