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The **Executive Board of the Pro Academia Prize** has decided to confer the **Pro Academia Prize 2021** on **Klaus Roth** of Berlin, Germany. Dr. Roth is a German professor of chemistry, university teacher, author, and — through his extensive and far-reaching interdisciplinary network of collaborators — an outstanding promoter of science and academic exchange.

More details about the Prize and its recipients are available at www.pro-academia.org. The Prize was established by *The Round Table Foundation (TRTF)*.

Professor Peter A. Rinck, president of the board of *The Round Table Foundation*:

'In today's competitive, hectic, often erratic, short-lived, and money-oriented science and research, places of quiet discussion free from strife are rare, and – though generally preached – broad-based interdisciplinary exchange usually remains minor-league. Dr. Roth and his collaborators are a refreshing and remarkable exception.

'The Prize is also meant as an incentive, a motivation for young scientists to pursue new avenues of research and teaching. We want them to go on and follow an honest and ethical academic way.'

The Prize itself is a crystal owl, symbolizing Athena, the goddess of crafts and skilled peacetime pursuits. She personifies wisdom and righteousness. Thus, the Prize stands for scientific and academic perseverance, knowledge, and exchange. These virtues and successes should be lauded. The crystal owl as representation of the Prize, a small olive tree and a certificates will be the sole gifts.

Additional information is available by e-mail from office@pro-academia.org.

