

Dear Madam/sir,

Referring to our telephone conversation on 5 October, I am very pleased to confirm that your company has been proposed to the European Commission as one of the 20 "Nominees for the European IST Grand Prize". As you know, the evaluation was made by independent experts from 16 countries nominated by Euro-CASE.

The evaluation is made as follows:

50-70 "European IST Prize Nominees" are proposed among all applicants.

20 "European Grand IST Prize Nominees" are proposed among the Prize Nominees.

Three "Grand Prize Winners" are proposed among the Grand Prize Nominees.

The European Commission will select up to 20 EISTP Winners and up to 3 Grand Prize Winners.

Congratulations on your excellent achievement. The European IST Prize is the most prestigious Prize for innovative IST products and has changed the fortune of several former Winners.

The 20 Nominees for the European IST Grand Prize are invited to exhibit their product at the European IST Prize Exhibition at the European Commission in Brussels on 30 November – 1 December 2005. Please reserve the dates. The Nominees for the European IST Grand Prize will demonstrate their products to the European IST Prize Executive Jury consisting of European executives from 18 countries, nominated by Euro-CASE. After a thorough presentation of the 20 products the Jury will propose 3 Grand Prize Winners to the European Commission.

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The European IST Prize Awards Ceremony will take place on 23 March 2006 at the Austrian Academy of Sciences in Vienna.

We shall edit a prestigious publication on the European IST Prize to which you will be invited to contribute a one-page description of your product and company.

As a European Grand IST Prize Nominee, you are invited to download the European IST Grand Prize Nominee logo on http://www.ist-prize.org/download_LOGOS/index.html and use it on your website, stationary, products,...., and in your promotion activities.

We advise you to take every opportunity to benefit from your nomination selection as European IST Grand Prize Nominee in your PR activities. We shall disseminate press releases all over Europe and promote your company on the IST Prize website.

Please find attached the press release and the list of this year's European IST Grand Prize Nominees.

You will shortly receive detailed information about the European IST Prize Exhibition, the presentation to the European IST Prize Executive Jury and the European IST publication.

I look forward to meeting you in Brussels on 30 November 2005.

Yours sincerely,

Alain Mongon
The European IST Prize