

BIG NAMES SPONSOR NETWORKING INDUSTRY AWARDS

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Networking Industry Awards 2001 boasts support from key industry players.

London, 21 March – The eighth annual Networking Industry Awards 2001, organised by CMP Europe Ltd in association with Network News, will take place at the Hilton Metropole Hotel, Birmingham NEC on 26 June 2001. The ceremony has already attracted key industry sponsorship from Cable & Wireless, Fluke Networks, Brand Communications, Vital Network Services, Syncra and Computer Reseller News (1).

The Awards are widely acknowledged as the industry benchmark for suppliers and manufacturers of networking products and services and are the most renowned and coveted in the industry. They are fully supported by Networks telecom 2001 - the UK's largest and most comprehensive event for the IT, Telecoms and Internet Industry (2) and by the country's leading Networking publication, Network News (3).

Entries will be judged by an independent panel of leading professionals from industry associations, consultancies, corporate user organisations and key editors of supporting publications. The closing date for entries is the 2nd April 2001.

If you wish to nominate your company, colleague or a customer for an award; or if you wish to sponsor an award category at the event, please telephone Mark Lloyd on 01923 330220, email markl@dial.pipex.com

or visit <http://www.networkingawards.com>

Notes to Editors:

(1) The Networking Industry Award 2001 categories and sponsorships:

Network Professional Awards

Network Professional of the Year sponsored by Fluke Networks

Network Team of the Year

e-Business Project of the Year

Most Innovative Use of Technology sponsored by Brand Communications

Network Services Awards - sponsored by Vital Network Services

Voice and Data Service Provider of the Year

Channel Partner of the Year

Network Training Company of the Year

Network Recruitment Consultancy of the Year

Network News Awards

Network News Readers Network Product of the Year (Reader voted)

Editors Platinum Award (Editors choice)

Product Awards - sponsored by Cable & Wireless

Network Management

Network Troubleshooting/Analysis Tool

Infrastructure

Web Software (incs Network operating software)

Web Hardware (incs Servers)

Mobile Communications

Storage (incs data integrity/back-up)

Security Product (includes firewalls)

Voice Integration

Networking Innovation

Best Product of Network telecom 2001 sponsored by Networks telecom 2001

Livingston UK Ltd are sponsoring the tables at the event.

(2) Networks telecom 2001, the UK's largest and most comprehensive event for the IT, Telecoms and Internet industry, is being held at the NEC, Birmingham 26th-28th June 2001.

(3) Network News is the UK's leading authority on important new networking technology, trends,

products and issues. Launched in 1995 and published weekly specifically for Networking and Internet professionals, it provides extensive coverage and bench tests spanning both data and voice communications, and emerging Internet and e-business technologies.

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