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Pressemelding

Microsoft tildeler Cap Gemini Ernst & Young pris for beste globale servicepartner 2003

(Oslo, 10. desember 2003) **Cap Gemini Ernst & Young har lyktes i å gjøre Microsoft-teknologi om til målbare konkurransefortrinn for bedriftskundene. På dette grunnlaget har selskapet fått utmerkelsen "Årets globale servicepartner 2003".**

Microsoft har utnevnt Cap Gemini Ernst & Young til "Årets globale servicepartner" for 2003. Prisen deles med Hewlett-Packard og ble nylig utdelt på Microsofts partnerkonferanse i New Orleans. Prisen tildeles globale servicepartnere som gjennom året har vist handlekraft, og som best har lyktes i å implementere Microsofts løsninger hos felles kunder i året som har gått. Prisen forsterker ytterligere samarbeidet selskapene imellom.

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Om Cap Gemini Ernst & Young

Cap Gemini Ernst & Young er en av verdens største tilbydere av tjenester innen Consulting, Technology og Outsourcing. Vi bistår våre kunder i implementering av strategier og utnyttelse av teknologi. Cap Gemini Ernst & Young har 50 000 ansatte på verdensbasis hvorav 650 i Norge fordelt på 6 kontorer. Selskapet omsatte for 7,047 milliarder euro i 2002. Ytterligere informasjon og kontaktadresser er tilgjengelig på no.cgey.com

Cap Gemini Ernst and Young Honored as 2003 Global Services Partner of the Year By Microsoft

Consulting and Integration Leader Is Turning Microsoft Technology Innovation Into Tangible Business Value For The Enterprise Customer

Cap Gemini Ernst & Young (CGE&Y) has been recognized by Microsoft (NASDAQ: MSFT) as a co-winner of the 2003 Microsoft Global Services Partner of the Year Special Recognition Award. The award was announced at the Microsoft Worldwide Partner Conference 2003 in New Orleans. The award is given to the partner that has demonstrated leadership and has been the most valuable global services partner in delivering Microsoft solutions to mutual customers in the past year. CGE&Y is pleased to join Hewlett-Packard as this year's co-winner.

CGE&Y grew its worldwide Microsoft alliance revenues in fiscal year 2002 by over 30% from the previous year's goal. This was accomplished by developing a strong ISV ecosystem, co-developing innovative solutions, building a strong technical community, increasing training center readiness, and providing effective knowledge transfer on a global level. In parallel, CGE&Y jointly implemented Microsoft technology-based solutions to clients around the globe. For example, in Sweden, with BT Industries, CGE&Y implemented a Field Service Mobility Solution using Microsoft Windows Mobile software for Pocket PC's to BT Industries 1,200 field service engineers. In Canada, CGE&Y and Microsoft helped St. Mary's Cement plan, design, and implement three critical applications to run the business, and build a completely new Microsoft based infrastructure to support them. In the Netherlands, with Hereema Marine Contractors, CGE&Y built a new server and workstation environment using Microsoft technologies. In India, CGE&Y developed an Office solution that connects the company's information users to enterprise applications data, using a familiar and uniform user interface.

In Norway CGE&Y has delivered, through experienced consultants a number of challenging solutions in the Finance, Governance, Telecom, Retail and Oil & Gas sectors.

CGE&Y has over 40 Certified Partner locations worldwide and has achieved Microsoft Gold Certified for e-commerce, collaborative solutions, and business intelligence and enterprise systems that requires completing significant customer deployments that have been independently verified by Microsoft.

"Our relationship with Cap Gemini Ernst & Young has evolved in profound ways over the past five years, and particularly in the last year as our organizations have forged stronger ties in every area," said Sanjay Parthasarathy, corporate vice president of Microsoft's Platform Strategy & Partner Group. "With a shared vision and aligned resources worldwide, together we can deliver what customers want -- solutions that create value and reduce costs. Microsoft is very pleased to honor CGE&Y as Global Services Partner of the Year for 2003."

"We are honored to receive this distinction from Microsoft and to be a co-recipient with a world-class organization like HP," said Chell Smith, Global Director of Technology Services, CGE&Y. "This award not only recognizes the incredibly successful partnership that CGE&Y and Microsoft have cultivated, but is a testament

to the employees that support our client initiatives. Without their hard work and dedication, this award would not be possible.”

With a strong focus on healthcare, manufacturing, retail, and oil & gas, Cap Gemini Ernst & Young announced 18 Microsoft solutions last year, including a suite of Mobility solutions using the .NET Compact Framework and Windows CE .NET, a SAP VALUEUpgrade solution, migrating SAP R/3 onto a Microsoft platform and a set of Extended Retail Solutions with Intel and Cisco Systems, basically an open system architected on the Microsoft platform. In addition CGE&Y has developed several solutions using the new Office System 2003, including a Clinical Portal healthcare solution, Corporate Accountability, Electronic Document Records Management, and Office-as-a-SMART-client.

“2003 was an extremely successful year for the CGE&Y Microsoft Global Alliance,” said Deanne Handron, Cap Gemini Ernst & Young - Global Alliance Executive. “Despite a challenging market, we exceeded sales goals and gained several significant client wins worldwide — all while continuing to deliver incredible value to alliance customers.”