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### **Progress Software Announces the EMEA Partner Award Winners 2008**

Progress Software recognises EMEA Partners for innovative use of Progress Software technologies.

**London, May 12, 2009** [Progress Software Corporation](http://www.progress.com) (NASDAQ: PRGS), a global supplier of application infrastructure software used to develop, deploy, integrate and manage business applications, has recognised nine of its EMEA partners in its awards programme for partnering excellence and industry best practice. The Partner of the Year award went to Mark Information from Denmark, who specialise in data collection and operational planning around businesses critical processes.

Innovative Partner of the Year went to Alvara Cash Management Systems of Germany, who were rewarded for its use of Sonic ESB in their SOA-based application, utilising a SaaS go to market model.

"Alvara used the opportunity within the Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) model to deliver a comprehensive software system for secure and efficient cash transactions. This enables businesses to monitor the entire cash cycle without interruption, thereby delivering savings to their customers," said Dennis Allan, VP EMEA, Progress Software. " This approach has enabled Alvara to grow its customer base and partner effectively with Progress Software."

The awards were designed to promote innovation and recognise the business value of partner solutions. They demonstrate the strategic value of the Progress Software partner business.

Mark Information was proud to receive our two awards - The Partner of the Year EMEA and Nordic Regional Partner of the year. More than 3 years ago, we started a big development project to migrate our product to the latest technology utilizing 3-tier, SOA and multiple new clients – in fine cooperation with Progress,. Now we are starting to harvest the benefits and have transformed our product into a second to none application, as regards technology as well as features. Over the next years, we will continue our development into both new technology and functionality areas", says Niels Bredegaard, CTO R&D & Partners, Mark Information A/S.

**Other winners**

Best Newcomer: Continuans

Best Distributor: Progress Technologies

Nordic Regional: Mark Information and API Pro

Southern Region: Intris

Germany & Austria: Alvara Cash Management Systems

Netherlands: Davanti Warehousing

South Africa: MIP

UK and Ireland: COINS

Dennis Allan, VP EMEA, Progress Software concluded, "Progress Software partners are integral to the success of Progress Software in EMEA, so the Partner Awards are an opportunity for us to recognise the hard work and results which the partner community has achieved in the last year. We're encouraged to see such great innovations, as demonstrated by partners like Mark Information and Alvara Cash Management Systems, coming to the forefront and delivering long-term revenue growth for our loyal partner base."

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**About Progress Software Corporation**

Progress Software Corporation (NASDAQ: PRGS) provides application infrastructure software for the development, deployment, integration and management of business applications. Our goal is to maximize the benefits of information technology while minimizing its complexity and total cost of ownership. Progress can be reached at [www.progress.com](http://www.progress.com) or +1-781-280-4000.