

EiffelStudio Finalist for the Prestigious JOLT Award

Development Environment Chosen to be Among Short List of Finalists

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Interactive Software Engineering (ISE) announced today that its development environment is a finalist for the prestigious JOLT award, in the category of Languages and Development Environments. Given out by Software Development magazine, "the annual award is a tribute to the development tools that 'jolted' the corporate development industry during the previous year, in terms of increasing developer productivity, heralding a new development paradigm, or making development faster, easier, and more efficient."

"This recognition highlights our commitment to producing the highest quality tools for enterprise development." said Bertrand Meyer, founder and technical advisor of ISE. "We are extremely excited and honored to be chosen as finalist for such a prestigious award."

Designed for enterprise and mission critical applications, ISE EiffelStudio is a development environment that supports multiple inheritance, genericity and Design by Contract for guaranteed reusability and reliability. Multiple inheritance increases reusability by allowing classes to inherit from many parents; genericity eliminates code duplication by making classes reusable; and Design by Contract dramatically increases software reliability by establishing mutual obligations and benefits, "contracts", between classes and enforcing them through constructs such as class invariants, preconditions and post-conditions. These Eiffel techniques extend through the complete software lifecycle. This provides a full, reversible stream through project development, which avoids the need for separate analysis, design, implementation and testing tools helping to companies save time and money.

The awards are widely recognized as the benchmark for excellence throughout the software development industry. An independent panel of highly respected individuals from within the software development industry is selected to sit on the panel of judges. Final entries will be subject to a rigorous firsthand evaluation by the judges. The final winners will be announced in April 2002 at the Software Development Conference and Exposition in San Jose, California.

About Interactive Software Engineering, Inc. (ISE)

Founded in 1985, ISE is committed to producing professional tools and reusable component libraries for the development of high quality software, thereby enabling its customers to capitalize on their software assets, acquire a competitive edge and maximize their long term investment. ISE's products and services have helped companies worldwide, ranging from large financial institutions to defense contractors, health care providers and many others, develop software on time and within budget.

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