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## Consist receives award for professionalism and commitments

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## Finalist in the “Großer Preis des Mittelstandes”

On September 26, 2009, the Kiel IT company Consist Software Solutions was nominated as finalist for the Schleswig-Holstein/Hamburg region in the "Großer Preis des Mittelstandes" competition (Grand Prix of Small and Medium Business). The competition initiative was awarded the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany in September, 2008.

Kiel – "To be one of the finalists is a great honor for us and evidence of our many years of successful work. Our employees have made this success possible with their high degree of commitment for our customers and the region", says Martin Lochte-Holtgreven, Managing Director of Consist. The Kiel company, which specializes in custom software, employs about 170 people in IT projects throughout Germany, and has 25 years of experience in information technology.

The honor was awarded by Dr. Helfried Schmidt, Chairman of the Oskar-Patzelt Foundation, at the prize gala on September 26, 2009 at the Maritim Hotel in Düsseldorf. "The company's strengths lie in their know-how, professionalism, reliability, and commitment".

Consist Software Solutions was nominated by KiWi Kieler Wirtschafts- und Strukturentwicklungs GmbH. Among the competition criteria were the overall development of the company, the creation or preservation of jobs and training positions, modernization and innovation, commitment in the region as well as service, customer relationships, and marketing.

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## **About the “Großer Preis des Mittelstandes”**

The “Großer Preis des Mittelstandes” organized by the Oskar-Patzelt Foundation has been held each year since 1995. In 2009, 3,366 companies from more than a thousand communities, institutions, and unions were nominated. The competition publicly honors small- to medium-sized enterprises as a fountain of hope for the future and as an economic factor, supporting the formation of networks. Examples of success are popularized.

Medium-sized companies exhibiting greater-than-average development in their region and their field are the subject matter of this competition. In the twelve regions of the competition, regional juries and a final jury decide which companies are awarded the prize.

The "Großer Preis des Mittelstandes" is intended to support a culture of self-reliance according to the motto "Healthy small and medium-sized businesses – strong economy – more jobs". Among the other goals of the renowned prize are respect and recognition for entrepreneurial virtues like responsibility, hard work, and inventiveness.

In September, 2008, the competition initiative was awarded the Order of Merit of the Federal Republic of Germany.

## **About the Oskar-Patzelt-Foundation**

The Oskar-Patzelt Foundation, headquartered in Leipzig, has sponsored the Germany-wide competition for 15 years, together with chambers of industry and commerce (IHK), chambers of crafts (HWK), the Federal Association of the Services Industry (BDWi), associations of entrepreneurs and employers (UV, AGV), regional associations of the self-employed/German Trade and Crafts Association (BDS/DGV), the European Association for the Self-Employed (BVD/CEDI), the German Association for Small and Medium-sized Businesses (BVMW), government

bodies, municipalities, and communities, as well as in cooperation with ministries, institutions, and the media.

The foundation, an independent citizen initiative, is organized entirely on a volunteer basis and financed exclusively privately. More than 150 people from all areas of commercial life are at present actively engaged in the organization's committees.

Since 2008, the Mittelstandsforum Deutschland (German Forum for Medium-Sized Companies) has supported the work of the foundation with ideas and funds in order to give its work a broader basis.

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## More information:

- About Consist: [www.consist.de/www/en/index.html](http://www.consist.de/www/en/index.html)
- About "Großer Preis des Mittelstandes": [www.mittelstandspreis.com](http://www.mittelstandspreis.com)

## Illustrations:



*Consist Managing Director Martin Lochte-Holtgrevén at the award ceremony on September 26 in Düsseldorf*  
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## About Consist

Consist Software Solutions GmbH is a specialist in tailor-made applications and selected software solutions.

Consist Software Solutions has over 25 years of experience in information technology (IT). The strengths of the company are its expertise in both classical and modern technologies, its manufacturer independence, its professionalism, reliability, and commitment.

Its subsidiary Consist ITU Environmental Software GmbH – Consist ITU for short – is the specialist in Europe-wide IT solutions for waste management.

### Mission

True to the slogan Pushing IT forward!, Consist Software Solutions uses innovative IT solutions to shape the information technology of its customers. Our company discovers opportunities and implements innovations, thus increasing the competitiveness of its customers. Since 1983, the company has already helped more than 600 well-known enterprises and organizations to create significant added value in this way.

### Service portfolio

The business activity of the internationally active enterprise is based on the three pillars "Professionals & Projects", "Managed Services," and "Solutions".

In the "Professionals & Projects" area Consist Software Solutions concentrates on IT consulting, projects, and the provision of qualified IT specialists (sourcing).

In the context of "Managed Services," the IT enterprise handles the maintenance and continued development of custom software (Application Maintenance Services) and offers cost-effective offshore development within the Consist Group (Consist Group Services).

# Company Portrait



The business area of "Solutions" includes solutions developed in-house, like the IT solution Modawi for electronic data exchange in waste management, the tracking software VERS, and the PerfoMon performance monitor.

## **Target market**

The target market across all industries consists of midsize and large enterprises and organizations, primarily in Germany, but around the world as well.

## **Shareholder and figures**

Since 1995, after its purchase from the Krupp Group, our company belongs to the Consist World Group.

The shareholder Consist Software Solutions Inc. in New York is a software company with over 35 years of experience in IT. Within the Consist World Group, our company is the largest subsidiary in Europe. In 2008, sales are projected to have reached 17.3 million Euros with approximately 170 employees.

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