

## 2009 Finalists named for EFQM Excellence Award

**Brussels, 21 July 2009** – Fourteen finalists for the EFQM Excellence Award 2009 have been announced by EFQM, a non-profit membership foundation headquartered in Brussels. From this list of nominees, the award and prize winners will be named on 28 September in the Plaza Hotel at EFQM's Celebration Award dinner in Brussels. These organisations, listed below, represent diverse industries from educational bodies and healthcare in the public sector to energy, pharmaceutical, electronics, port & logistics, metals and automotive industries in the private sector.

### **2009 Finalists (listed alphabetically)**

- Bilim Ilac A.S., Turkey
- Bradstow School, UK
- Colegio Sagrado Corazón Carmelitas, Spain
- EDF DCECL EST, France
- EITB, Media, Local & regional Governments, Spain
- Fondation François-Elisabeth Hôpital Kirchberg, Luxembourg
- Liverpool John Moore's University, UK
- Luka Koper d.d., Slovenia
- NXP Sound Solutions Austria, Austria
- pom+Consulting AG, Switzerland
- Robert Bosch S.A.S, France
- St. Colmans College , UK
- Umicore Precious Metals Refining, Belgium
- Volkswagen Motor Polska Sp. z o.o., Poland

The award assessment process involves a site visit from an international group of experienced assessors during which role model organisations are sought after and identified. While all applicants are organisations of high calibre, only a small group are awarded this finalist distinction.

The 2009 Jury of the EFQM Excellence Award are individuals representing all categories of the award from large industry to family-owned SMEs and includes previous award winners. The jury members are comprised of, among others, CEOs and Senior Executives of BT Global Services, Grundfos, Dexia Sofaxis as well as high level representatives from the Public Sector.

EFQM brings together organisations striving for sustainable excellence. EFQM has spent over 20 years sharing what works between its member organisations to help them implement their strategies. The EFQM network comprises a highly diverse set of organisations that represent all business sizes, segments and public institutions – many of which operate across the globe.

The EFQM Forum, 28-29 September in Brussels, includes a celebration dinner to announce the annual winners of the EFQM Excellence Award. The EFQM Excellence Award recognises organisations with an undisputable track record of progress and results for both financial and non financial performance. The Award, which is given to Europe's best performing companies and not-for-profit organisations, is Europe's most prestigious award for organisational Excellence.

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