



Golden-i Gala & Awards 2009

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The second [Golden-i Gala & Awards](#) ceremony took place on 7 May 2009 in the beautiful setting of Neumünster Abbey in Luxembourg City. Close to **400 ICT experts from Luxembourg** attended the event. The highlight of the evening was the award of four prizes to people and companies having shown a strong will and talent to build on the potential of IT to provide improved services to the general public. The organizers of the ceremony are [ITnation](#), a B2B IT magazine and guide, and the [City of Luxembourg](#).

Turn Green into Gold

Green IT is high on the agenda of IT decision-makers. The presence of Rolf Schumann, Country Engagement Principal at [Better Place](#) and former CTO of SAP (EMEA), as a keynote speaker shows **how attractive Luxembourg is to the international business community**. In his very engaging speech, Rolf Schumann presented the concept of Better Place and its underlying principles. The company is helping consumers be less dependent on gas and fuel by providing them with an efficient network of electric cars, thus diminishing their greenhouse gas emissions.

The Ceremony

Four prizes were awarded this year: the Flagship award, two awards for ITnation@HotCity, a common project of the City of Luxembourg and ITnation.eu, and the CIO of the Year award.

Flagship Award



For the second edition of the Flagship award (the first one took place at Golden-i 2008), the Association of Professionals of the Information Society ([APSI](#)) had decided to put the emphasis on a theme that is becoming more and more important: the sustainability of our activities, our organization and our social involvements.

APSI president Claude Lüscher introduced the Flagship award, while Minister for Communications Jean-Louis Schiltz presented it to **Thierry Fromes**, Managing Director of Microsoft Luxembourg.

ITnation@HotCity

ITnation@HotCity is a contest that originated from the collaboration of ITnation.eu, a social network for IT professionals launched by the magazine ITnation 2.0, and [HotCity](#), the WiFi platform created by the City of Luxembourg. Luxembourg's mayor Paul Helminger outlined the main objectives of HotCity before he presented the awards to

- **Sandrine Herbert and Aude Richard** for the application "nAutre Ville"; and
- **Pragma Consult** for the iPhone application "iRestoLux".

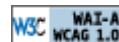
CIO of the Year

The last award of the evening was the CIO of the Year award. A jury consisting of APSI members and an ITnation representative picked the winner among 16 candidates. 5 made it to the short-list, before in the end **Thierry Delroisse**, CIO-COO of [Dexia-Bil](#), was elected CIO of the Year 2009. The award was presented to him by Raphaël Henry, editor-in-chief of ITnation 2.0.



After the awards ceremony, the evening continued with a **vibrant networking party**.

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