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First German award for the computer hardware CM-Stick/M

## **Nomination of the CM-Stick/M for the 2006 Design Award of the Federal Republic of Germany**

Karlsruhe – The German company Wibu-Systems AG has been nominated for the 2006 Design Award of the Federal Republic of Germany with their hardware CM-Stick/M. This is the only official design award in Germany and the Federal Minister of Economic Affairs offers this reward. In February 2006, twenty Silver Awards and 5 Gold Awards will be handed out for the outstanding products in the areas of product design and communication design in Frankfurt.

The CM-Stick/M provides the software manufacturers with a secure software protection solution and combines different advantageous functions in an appealing hardware for the users. For example there is the administration of passwords, PINs and TANs, the encryption of data, the use of the external memory and the opening and closing of the computer, as you would do with a bunch of keys. The design of case and casing in a compact nature is very attractive and the functions are self-explanatory.

Oliver Winzenried, C.E.O. of Wibu-Systems AG, is delighted: "It makes me happy to be nominated for the German design prize because our products have been suggested by the German Ministry for Economic Affairs or at a state level by economic ministries and senators with economic responsibilities. The strict criteria and conditions define that a company has already been awarded with an international prize. Yet two years ago we were awarded with: the iF product design award 2005 and the iF design award china 2004. The German award stands for the only possibility to be singled out as the best of the perfect in form products. The appealing design of the CM-Stick/M shows that an object of utility such as a piece of a computer hardware can absolutely be beautiful."

Photo:



Photo 1: The CM-Stick/M has been nominated for the 2006 Design Award of the Federal Republic of Germany

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WIBU-SYSTEMS was founded in 1989 by Oliver Winzenried and Marcellus Buchheit. The main focus is in the fields of Digital Rights Management, software protection, license management, document protection and access control. The company located in Karlsruhe has distributors all over the world and offices in Seattle, USA, as well as in Shanghai, China.