

The Austrian Constantinus Award: An international success story.

The fifth Constantinus International Award were handed out on the 22nd of September in Noordwijk in the Netherlands.

22nd of September, Noordwijk, the Netherlands: The “Constantinus International Award” was handed out to the world's best IT and consulting projects in the framework of the congress of the International Council of Management Consulting Institutes (ICMCI). For the fifth time, management consultants from all over the world were invited to present projects yielding outstanding customer benefits. The Constantinus International Award was modelled after the Austrian Constantinus Award of the Austrian Association of Management Consultancy and Information Technology (UBIT) and has already become an established hallmark of quality for knowledge-based services all over the world.

"The Constantinus International Award not only provides a platform for the best players in the IT and consulting industry but also showcases the economic power and significance of the information and communication technology industry," Alfred Harl, the chairman of the Austrian Association of Management Consultancy and Information Technology (UBIT) and Chair Constantinus International, highlights the importance of this global award. Despite being rather young, the Constantinus International Award has already developed into highly desirable prizes honouring outstanding consulting performances.

Alfred Harl on the host nation: "Due to its history, excellent hospitality and infrastructure as well as its innovative and inspiring ability to think outside the box, we were particularly happy to be invited by the Dutch to stage this year's award ceremony in the Netherlands."

Gold medal for Hungary, silver for Austria and the Netherlands;

From all the projects submitted an international expert jury chose the nominees and, in turn, the National Champions as well as the winners from these entries. This year's National Champions are the Austrian Grobner GmbH, the Dutch Agency Van de Bunt Adviseur and the Hungarian Clarity Consulting Ltd.

This year's gold medal went to the Hungarian Champion Clarity Consulting Ltd. for the creation of the public Hungarian National State Inventory for the Hungarian National Asset Management Inc. under the project name *Bringing clarity to state-owned assets*. As a result, citizens are able to access quantity and value data of real estates and company shares owned by the State of Hungary on a public website. This is a significant progress in making the government operations more transparent.

The first of two silver medals went to the Austrian Champion Grobner GmbH, a company that supported Südtiroler Volksbank during a merger with another bank. In order to prepare a good integration of the new employees, a process of communication was started across the whole company. All the executive personnel are regularly informed about the merger via an app. This app supports the company-wide dialogue between all the different levels of management and is continuously used to establish rules for the ongoing and future cooperation.

The Dutch Champion Van de Bunt Adviseurs received the second silver medal for their development of four scenarios for the future of journalism in 2025 for the Dutch Journalism Fund. The scenarios' objective is to actively prepare players within and outside their industry for a very unstable and potentially threatening future. Simultaneously, the study is also set out to provide insight into the industry to support a public discussion of the significance of journalism for a society.

GOLD:

Participant: Clarity Consulting Ltd.

Client: Hungarian National Asset Management Inc., State Asset Inventory Ltd.

Project: Bringing clarity to state-owned assets - creation of the public Hungarian National State Inventory

SILVER:

Participant: Grobner GmbH

Client: Südtiroler Volksbank

Project: Company-wide dialogue to prepare the merger of two banks and a paper-free strategic event with 200 leading executives with the help of a special app

SILVER:

Participant: Van de Bunt Adviseurs

Client: Dutch Journalism Fund

Project: Four scenarios for the future of journalism



Picture (UBIT / ICMCI) with Gold Medal Winner & Hungary's National Champion Clarity Consulting Ltd. for State Asset Inventory Ltd. (left to right): Jan Willem Kradolfer (Chairman Netherlands), Tim Millar (ICMCI Chairman), Csaba Deák (Clarity Consulting Ltd.), László Ternyik (Clarity Consulting Ltd.), Alfred Harl (Chairman Constantinus International), Alinda van Bruggen (Moderation)



Picture (FV UBIT / ICMI) with Silver Medal Winner and Austria's National Champion Grobner GmbH. for Südtiroler Volksbank (left to right): Jan Willem Kradolfer (Chairman Netherlands), Tim Millar (ICMCI Chairman), Marianne Grobner (Grobner GmbH), Alfred Harl (Chairman Constantinus International), Alinda van Bruggen (Moderation)



Picture (FV UBIT / ICMI) with Silver Medal Winner and Netherlands' National Champion Van de Bunt Adviseurs for Dutch Journalism Fund. (left to right): Jan Willem Kradolfer (Chairman Netherlands), Kim Wannet (Van de Bunt Adviseurs), René van Zanten (Dutch Journalism Fund), Tim Millar (ICMCI Chairman), Alfred Harl (Chairman Constantinus International)