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## Amsphere sponsors

### The Quality Advocate 2008 Award

Amsphere will be sponsoring the Quality Advocate Award 2008 at the SQC, Software and Systems Quality conference held on the 29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> September at the Queen Elizabeth II Conference Centre, London.

The award is for the person who deserves recognition for outstanding performance in the field of software testing and quality assurance and is able to demonstrate most successfully, out of all the candidates, that they have:

1. Delivered the required quality software solutions by reducing the time and cost to test or time to market, or
2. Creatively added value to solutions by assuring quality throughout the life cycle and maximising quality with testing techniques and practices, or
3. Adapted the approach to quality management and test management with strategies, tactics and the pragmatic use of tools.

**“We are proud to be the sponsors of this award,”** commented Ricky Shankar CEO Amsphere. **“Software quality is an issue that business needs to take seriously and that the testing community needs to promote. Awards such as this help put a spotlight on those who excel at doing exactly this and highlight the importance of reducing business risk through testing.”**

Last year the prize was awarded to Danny Dore of Boots for successfully adapting an innovative approach to testing that encompassed; cost reductions, improved quality of live systems and tightened quality control over deliverables from several vendors.

This year there is a prize of £1,000 for the successful candidate and a Wii games console for the person who nominates the winner. If you would like to nominate someone, the link can be found at [www.sqs-conferences.com/uk/](http://www.sqs-conferences.com/uk/) Nominations are open until the 12<sup>th</sup> September.

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Amsphere is a delivery assurance company focusing on Governance, Risk Management, Cost Control and Supplier Management across IT Projects and Service Installations.

Headquartered in the UK with offices in India and Singapore, Amsphere have over 800 staff and over 40 years experience of IT delivery and assurance across a number of vertical markets including; Retail, Banking and Insurance, Manufacturing and the Public Sector.

**Independent Programme Assurance and Compliance** – a range of tools, best practice and resources ensuring compliance to agreed Quality Gates by 3<sup>rd</sup> party and internal teams

**Managed Independent Testing** - Skilled and flexible resources providing a full range of testing services as well as advice and support to companies in their selection, use and management of performance, automation and defect management tools. All backed up by our comprehensive application assessment and testing methodology CAAT™

**Service & Operational Readiness** - A focus on Service Introduction throughout the Project Lifecycle. Ensuring non functional requirements are defined, operational support services are designed, SLA's are implemented, processes are documented, and training is completed – all confirming an IT change is ready to be implemented successfully

**Software Dispute Prevention** - A full RFP, contract schedule and acceptance criteria review, ensuring 3<sup>rd</sup> party's are held to account and there is clarity on what needs to be delivered. We can also provide expert assisted re-negotiation through our 20-strong panel of experts

**Knowledge Risk Mitigation, Training & e-learning** - Use of our KTM™ methodology to assess and mitigate the risks surrounding the transition or distribution of knowledge from, project teams or 3<sup>rd</sup> parties backed up by our training and e-learning service to create learning content and track the execution

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