

Press Release - May 2005

Jade Integration WIN *"Shell LiveWIRE 2005 Award for Significant Progress"*



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Jade Integration are celebrating victory as Shell LiveWIRE recognises the progress they have made since establishing their technology services business, Jade Integration, in 2002.

The entrepreneurial company scooped the prestigious Significant Progress Award 2005 at the Shell LiveWIRE North of England awards held on the 12th May at Manchester's Old Trafford.

"We are thrilled with the award." said Leon Hughes, Technical Director at Jade Integration. "We are determined to succeed and it's great to be recognised by the enterprise programme that has provided us with the information and advice to help our business."

Jade Integration was formed by two leading consultants from one of the world's largest IT conglomerates and initially provided high quality IT services to the North East's small and medium sized businesses. However, the proprietors knew that success was never going to come easy and were not spared the difficulties that new businesses face.

"The significant progress award is testament to our determination." Added Leon. "We have made considerable changes to ensure our business remains viable and achieves growth. We have recently reviewed our product offering and now concentrate on niche services that include the provision of high technology specifically in the 'thin client' arena."

In 2004 their determination and experience won them the Shell LiveWIRE North East Award for Innovation for their involvement in the leading edge 'thin' technology which can knock 30-40% off the average company's IT budget and continued success has seen them grow and prompted a move to larger, more suitable premises in the process!

With the commitment of the directors, an impressive array of awards, Microsoft Certified Partner and Citrix Silver Solutions Provider status and as the only Wyse Gold Partner in the North East, Jade integration are certain to be considered as serious competition in the North East's IT solutions sector and become the region's leading technology services provider.

Shell LiveWIRE is one of Shell U.K.'s community investment programmes that helps 16-30 year olds to start and develop their own business and hosts a national competition for new business startups.

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Notes to the Editor

- Jade Integration was established in 2002 by leading consultants, Andy MacLellan and Leon Hughes
- Jade Integration is a Microsoft Certified Partner, a Citrix Silver Solutions Provider and the only Wyse Gold Partner in the North East of England
- Jade Integration has won the following awards:
 - Shell LiveWIRE North East Award for Innovation (2004)
 - Shell LiveWIRE North of England Significant Progress Award (2005)
- Jade Integration provides specialist technology services including:
 - Thin client consultancy & equipment supply
 - Microsoft consultancy & software licensing services
 - Cisco consultancy & equipment supply
 - IT Security & Support