



NETASQ is a Winner for the 2011 Red Herring Top 100 Europe Award

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Paris, France - Red Herring announced its Top 100 award in recognition of the leading private companies from Europe, celebrating these startups' innovations and technologies across their respective industries.

Red Herring's Top 100 Europe list has become a mark of distinction for identifying promising new companies and entrepreneurs. Red Herring editors were among the first to recognize that companies such as Facebook, Twitter, Google, Yahoo, Skype, Salesforce.com, YouTube, and eBay would change the way we live and work.

"Choosing the companies with the strongest potential was by no means a small feat," **said Alex Vieux, publisher and CEO of Red Herring.** "After rigorous contemplation and discussion, we narrowed our list down from hundreds of candidates from across Europe to the Top 100 Winners. We believe **NETASQ** embodies the vision, drive and innovation that define a successful entrepreneurial venture. **NETASQ** should be proud of its accomplishment, as the competition was very strong."

Red Herring's editorial staff evaluated the companies on both quantitative and qualitative criteria, such as financial performance, technology innovation, management quality, strategy, and market penetration. This assessment of potential is complemented by a review of the track record and standing of startups relative to their sector peers, allowing Red Herring to see past the "buzz" and make the list a valuable instrument of discovery and advocacy for the most promising new business models in Europe.

On this occasion, **François Lavaste, NETASQ's President** declared: "To be among the finalists was already a great sign of recognition but being selected as a winner is a real encouragement as we strive to further justify this honour. The first quarter of 2011 has already proven successful in terms of sales, international expansion and technological innovation and we are confident that this trend will be confirmed in the second quarter."

About NETASQ

With over 75,000 unified threat management firewalls deployed to business, government and defence organisations of all sizes, NETASQ delivers solutions of unrivalled performance, protection and control and the most comprehensive EU and NATO certifications of any firewall. NETASQ is present in 40 countries and has been securing businesses since 1998.

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