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Minalogic Receives Highest Rating For Cluster-Management Excellence from EU

GRENOBLE, France – Oct. 2, 2012 – Minalogic, the global competitive cluster dedicated to micro- and nanotechnologies and embedded software, has received a Cluster Management Excellence Quality Label of "Gold" from the European Commission Cluster Excellence Initiative.

The Quality Label was developed by the Cluster Excellence Initiative to create an independent, voluntary proof of cluster management excellence that is accepted and recognized throughout Europe. The Quality Label, the highest management rating given to clusters, is designed to motivate cluster managers to compare their programs and policies and to learn from each other's best practices.

The program evaluates clusters according to 31 quality indicators covering several areas, such as structure, governance, strategy, services and achievements. Gold is the highest rating the initiative awards to clusters. Minalogic is one of only nine EU clusters to receive the Gold Quality Label.

"This award underscores the high level of professionalism and technical expertise and the strong commitment to our members' success that Minalogic's entire staff brings to each project every day," said Minalogic CEO Jean Chabbal. "Our goal is to build on this recognition and continue to improve throughout the organization."

Minalogic also was one of 20 French clusters, out of 71 evaluated, to receive the French government's highest rating: "very performing."

About Minalogic

Created in 2005, the Minalogic global competitive cluster in Grenoble is a public/private partnership with more than 200 members dedicated to supporting integration of hardware and embedded software. Minalogic's collaborative projects are focused on developing products and services that capitalize on the potential of better combinations of micro- and nanotechnology and embedded software. The cluster encourages and supports industry research-training collaborations with companies in Europe, Asia and the U.S., while responding to the global high-tech community's need to identify new value-added services that can be integrated into existing products in health care, the environment, mobility, the media, the textile industry and other areas.

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