

Siemens Healthcare UK wins EFQM Award for 'Adding Value for Customers'

Siemens Healthcare UK has been awarded a prize for 'Adding Value for Customers' from EFQM (formerly known as the European Foundation for Quality Management) at an award ceremony recently held at BMW World in Munich. After a rigorous assessment, the panel of judges concluded that Siemens Healthcare demonstrated exceptional customer care and dedication to providing advanced tailor-made solutions to meet customer needs.

Ten of the 18 finalist organisations received awards from the jury for demonstrating exceptional business behaviour. Each were judged against criteria including: leading with vision, inspiration & integrity; managing processes; succeeding through people; nurturing creativity and innovation; building partnerships; taking responsibility for a sustainable future; and achieving balanced results.

This recognition is added to a string of recent awards for Siemens Healthcare including overall winner of the British Quality Foundation's Business Excellence Award in both 2006 and 2010 and finalist in EFQM's award process in 2007 and 2011.

"In 2010, Siemens Healthcare UK won the national UK Excellence Awards. Only one year later, it is a European champion. This proves great commitment and drive to learn. Moreover, the current results, trends and forecasts only provide

confidence that this positive performance will be sustained in the future,” commented Pierre Cachet, Chief Executive Officer, EFQM.

“We were mostly impressed by the excellent brand loyalty results, especially compared to those of Siemens competitors,” comments Sabine Kern, delegate of the Jury. “Siemens Healthcare is successfully and robustly driving brand loyalty through people and processes.”

“We have worked for many years to become a benchmark for customer excellence,” explained Gunter Dombrowe, Managing Director of the Siemens UK and North West Europe Healthcare Sector. “Together with our continuous drive for innovation and with the skills and commitment of our people, this strong customer focus and deep understanding of customer needs is the key ingredient for us to have created sustainable business relationships and long-term success”.

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Siemens Healthcare receives award for ‘Adding Value for Customers’ from the European Foundation for Quality Management (EFQM) at an award ceremony held at BMW World in Munich. (Left to right) Ian Clarke, Director of Business Process Improvement at Siemens Healthcare; Mr. Marc Duhem, Chairman of EFQM Board of Governors; Gunter Dombrowe, Managing Director of the Siemens UK and North West Europe Healthcare Sector.



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