Press Release

January 9, 2012 – Company announcement

TopRating: Consist is top business partner

Best grade for Consist again in credit evaluation

The IT company Consist Software Solutions has been named a top business partner by Hoppenstedt Kreditinformationen GmbH for its outstanding creditworthiness.

Kiel – In the annual top business partner certification process, Consist is among the 3% of German companies that can show a very good creditworthiness index of 1. Consist already achieved this status in 2011.

Hoppenstedt Kreditinformationen GmbH rates 4.7 million German companies in the area of creditworthiness on a scale from 1 to 6, just like German school grades, with "1" grades awarded to companies with the best possible results.

About Hoppenstedt CreditCheck

The CreditCheck business information system by Hoppenstedt provides companies with a transparent picture of the economic situation, creditworthiness, and payment practices of their business partners, customers, and suppliers. This provides companies with a clear statement of the probability of default of another company.

The Hoppenstedt CreditCheck offers a fast, convenient online creditworthiness check and credit information in the B2B area, including a graphical creditworthiness index, credit scoring, company and business information, as well as financially relevant economic information.

Hoppenstedt places particular value on obtaining information and maintaining up-to-date data. Hoppenstedt primarily acquires extensive, relia-



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This press release contains 1445 characters (including spaces), with an average of 63 characters per line.

You can also find it at http://www.consist.de/www/en/press/

More information:

- About Consist: <u>www.consist.de</u>
- About Hoppenstedt: <u>www.myhcc.de</u>
- About Hoppenstedt CreditCheck: <u>https://www.myhcc.de/top-rating/</u>

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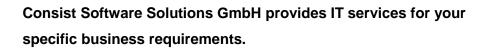
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Consist, successful in IT services, supports companies throughout the software lifecycle, from **development** to **maintenance** and **operation** to **modernization**. Under the motto "*Pushing IT forward!*" Consist provides its customers with powerful, flexible IT applications, granting them a clear competitive advantage. More than 600 satisfied customers benefit from over 25 years of experience, a wide range of technological knowhow, and the expert knowledge of the Consist team in a variety of industries.



Our service portfolio



Consist offers services

- as a temporally defined **project** for development and modernization tasks, or
- very process-supported Managed Services for long-term maintenance and operational topics.

Our service formats range from **staffing** (provision of experts for projects) and **consulting** to the complete management of project and service tasks, optionally including German language nearshoring services. As experts in unified, evolutionary **Business Process Management**, we model and implement custom business processes based on a comprehensive BPM suite. These are complemented by standard **solutions**.

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Awards

Consist is Top Business Partner

In 2012 and 2011, Consist was awarded the status of "Top Business Partner". That puts the company into the top 3% of companies in Germany with a creditworthiness index of 1. This was the result of the Hoppenstedt CreditCheck TopRating.

Consist is a winner of the "Großer Preis des Mittelstandes"

In 2011, Consist was awarded the "Großer Preis des Mittelstandes" (Grand Prix of Small and Medium Business) for the region of Schleswig-Holstein/Hamburg. This renowned economic prize honors the outstanding performance of medium-sized enterprises. In 2011, a total of 3,552 medium-sized companies were nominated throughout Germany, with 89 in the Schleswig-Holstein/Hamburg competition region.

Consist at a glance

Managing Directors:

Martin Lochte-Holtgreven, Daniel Ries

Year of founding:

1994 (spin-off of a profit center operating continuously since 1983)

Sales:

21.0 million Euros (2010) 200 employees

Locations:

Headquarters: Kiel Offices: Berlin and Rhein-Main (Darmstadt)

Shareholder:

Consist Software Solutions Inc. (USA) – a systems developer with over 35 years of experience in IT





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