



XIRING awarded for its innovation strategy by the French Industrial Property Institute (INPI)

Suresnes, December 1st, 2009: XIRING, a security solutions provider for remote transactions, has today received the Paris-region 2009 Innovation award (in the SME category) from the French Industrial Property Institute (“*Institut National de la Propriété Industrielle – INPI*”).

Each year, the INPI innovation awards aim to highlight small and medium enterprises for innovative developments using industrial property to leverage their growth.

In the presence of Philippe LAVAL, a Director at INPI, and Jean-Pierre CARDON, Ile-de-France INPI official, XIRING has received the Paris-region Innovation award for its industrial property policy. With 13% of XIRING’s 2008 turnover invested in research and development, innovation is an essential element of the company’s development. Innovations in XIRING’s global industrial property policy have been patented on a number of occasions.

Georges LIBERMAN, Chairman and CEO, XIRING, says: *« I am honoured to receive this innovation award highlighting our efforts in the industrial property field, and rewarding the work of our engineers. Innovation, alongside growth and internationalisation, are the key pillars of our success and industrial property is an important part of this. »*

About XIRING

Created in 1998, XIRING is a security solutions provider and develops security software embedded in smart card readers for strong authentication and digital signature. XIRING has distributed over 10 million strong authentication solutions based on bank cards and compliant with MasterCard and Visa programs, and is the leader of the professional solutions market for the SESAM-Vitale French healthcare scheme. In 2008, XIRING posted a turnover of €28.5 million up 20% and an operating margin of €3.5 million up 62%. XIRING is listed on the Alternext compartment of the NYSE-Euronext Paris exchange since September 18, 2006. ISIN code: FR0004155612, Mnemonic: ALXIR.

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