

ra Information Systems shortlisted for UKSPA 25th Anniversary Award

ra Information Systems, Business Affiliate of the UK Science Park Association (UKSPA) and providers of **ibcs**, the leading management software to Science Parks and Incubation Centres, have been short-listed for an UKSPA 25th Anniversary Awards.

Nominees for the category of “*Most significant contribution by a business affiliate, agency, sponsor, partnership or consultancy*” were of a very high standard, and **ra** are delighted to have been shortlisted in recognition of their efforts. James Chaffer, Technical Consultant at **ra** says, “Being on the shortlist for such a prestigious award is a tremendous achievement, and it is evidence that we are achieving our aim of delivering management tools that really ease the burden of running a busy Science Park or Incubation Centre.”

Noel Kennedy, **ra**'s Business Development Manager continues, “Our ethos is to listen carefully to the users' needs, and then expand our solution to meet those needs, so it is very satisfying when our efforts result in an award nomination! We have been working really closely with a number of high-profile Science Parks and Incubation Centres for several years now, and feel that **ibcs** is ideally placed to continue evolving to meet the ever-changing requirements of this market.”

Evidence of this product evolution can be seen from **ra**'s recent announcement of an online version of **ibcs**, aimed at reducing the logistical burden of rolling-out new installations across both small and multi-centre operations. They are also about to launch a customisable Questionnaire module that has been designed specifically for the Incubation industry, allowing the automatic production, completion and analysis of client questionnaires. Looking further down the development pipeline, there will soon be a Facilities Management module, designed to simplify the maintenance of the physical Science Park and Incubation environment.

The awards will be presented at a gala dinner to be held in the Museum of Science & Industry in Manchester on the 17th September, where both UKSPA and Manchester Science Park will be celebrating 25 successful years. Further details on the UKSPA Anniversary Awards can also be found here:

<http://www.outthereevents.com/ukspa/index.php?/awards.html>

For more information about **ra** Information Systems or **ibcs** please visit <http://www.ibcs-software.com> or contact the **ra** Office on 0845 365 10 71.

About ra Information Systems

ra Information Systems offer an unrivalled range of IT consultancy, installation and support services, tailored to the specific requirements of our customers business needs. Our services include network and infrastructure design and installation, IT maintenance and helpdesk services, Internet connectivity and email solutions, secure data backup and business continuity and software development and support. At **ra** we take a personal and proactive approach to IT, for over 20 years, our services and software applications have been enabling our clients to minimise their risk, control their costs, increase their efficiency and facilitate the sharing of their information. Please visit www.ra-is.co.uk for more information.

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