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Nvolve Limited Win 'Best Potential for Export Award' at all Ireland finals of the Shell LiveWIRE Awards 2008



Lee Tedstone, Director at Nvolve Limited has won the 'Best Potential for Export' Award at the finals of the Shell LiveWIRE Young Entrepreneur of the year 2008. The award ceremony took place in the Guinness Storehouse in Dublin on the 30th of October. The overall winner of the awards were Brian Corish and Gavin Payne, both aged 29 who operate Cork based Fuse Broadcasting, which provides shops and businesses with in-store radio station and digital imaging.

Speaking at the awards, Shell Ireland managing director Terry Nolan said: *"By recognising and rewarding these young entrepreneurs, we hope to encourage economic growth and foster a spirit of enterprise."* The competition began six months ago when candidates were interviewed in four regional heats by a panel of judges to assess business acumen, potential, and the long-term viability of their businesses.

Lee commenting on receiving the award says *"I am delighted at receiving the export potential award as this is testament of international reach of our software products and services. This proves that with innovative thinking and good infrastructure like broadband and voice over IP, that a small office in Donegal can have global reach. Over 40% of our business is export. Just this morning I closed a deal in Springfield, Tennessee and have recently secured business in Dubai in advance of a trade mission there. Lee goes on to say that the big saving is here is Ireland though. I no longer need to make weekly trips to Dublin, Galway and Cork. What it means for our customers is that we can instantly switch on there install from here, over night if required, so that when they arrive at their desk in the morning they're up and running. We also pass on all our implementation savings, through using these technologies, allowing us to keep our product and services at the leading edge of pricing competitiveness"*.

The Livewire programme celebrates the spirit of enterprise that is alive and kicking in young people aged between 16-30 in Ireland today. It has been developed in over twenty countries worldwide and is promoted across the island of Ireland by Shell Exploration & Production in partnership with Invest NI and the Department of Enterprise, Trade and Employment in the Republic of Ireland.