

Kizoom in the news

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ITS (UK) presents awards for excellence

Awards for Excellence have been made by ITS (UK) to two groundbreaking area-wide schemes, and to an individual for his outstanding contribution to the industry. The first award was to the Kent Fastrack bus information system for its pioneering approach to local urban regeneration. It uses innovative technology to completely overturn passenger perception and experience of bus transport. Fastrack began operation with its first route two years ago and since then more than 3.5 million passengers have been carried.

The bus information system is supplied by Cityspace and deployed along the BRT route between Dartford and Gravesend including the new section serving Ebbsfleet International Station.

Guy Wolfenden of Cityspace Transport said the company was pleased to be playing a role in delivering integrated, interactive passenger information systems within this award-winning development.

The second award was to the

Transport for London iBus project. This was designed and implemented in response to the growth in the number of buses in service in London. iBus gives accurate vehicle location information, enabling on-board, real-time passenger information and more effective service control as well as providing a reliable, expandable radio system and platform for future development.

The award was accepted by Martin Davey, head of the technical services group, who said it reflected the hard work of staff within the group and across London buses.

'We are making great progress to improve London's bus services for the millions of people who use them every day. The precision of the information means that passengers also get a better idea of when their next bus is due as it makes Countdown predictions more accurate.'

iBus is already live on over 1,800 buses and by early 2009 is expected to have been rolled out to the whole of London's 8,000 bus fleet.



Dr John Miles of Ankerbold with his wife Marilyn, at the 2008 ITS UK annual dinner. John received an Award for Excellence for his outstanding contribution to the development and outreach of ITS over his 30-year career.



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