

## HiQ nominated for 2010 Golden Mouse Award HiQ, Spotify and TAT compete for *IT Company of the Year* title

**At the end of February, the Golden Mouse will be awarded to persons and companies that distinguished themselves in the IT industry in 2009. HiQ was nominated for the *IT Company of the Year* award along with music streaming company Spotify and TAT, a company that develops interfaces for touch screen mobile phones.**

The jury motivated its nomination of HiQ with these words: “Through the years, HiQ has set the standard for profitable growth for Sweden’s IT consultancies”.

“Naturally, being nominated for a Golden Mouse is extremely gratifying. It proves that the hard work put in by all our skillful employees every day pays off.” says Lars Stugemo, president and CEO of HiQ International. “

“At HiQ we work together with our customers to develop products and services that simplify life for people. Common products and services that we use for communication, convenience and entertainment. The continuous development of technology means that a company like HiQ can advance and grow and it also creates room for new, exciting companies to develop – two good examples being Spotify and TAT. We’re happy to be nominated in such exciting company,” Stugemo continues.

The Golden Mouse has been awarded annually since 1996. Publications *Affärsvärlden* and *Computer Sweden* are behind the awards along with IT and telecom companies. This year, there are three award categories: IT Company of the Year, IT Entrepreneur of the Year, and IT Personality of the Year. There are three companies or persons nominated in each category. Winners will be announced at a gala banquet on 25 February at the Royal Swedish Academy of Engineering Sciences.

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