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Rising Star 2010 Scholarship Application

Message from the CEO

Congratulations on your decision to embark on a career in the Meetings industry. This vibrant exciting sector of the hospitality industry offers rewarding global opportunities for talented and dedicated people. As the number and size of meetings being held around the world continues to grow strongly every day, your future prospects are very bright.

Certain Software is the leading provider of event management solutions for the global meetings and event industry. Headquartered in San Francisco, Certain has operations and sales offices in North America, Australia, Europe, and the Pacific Rim. We serve over 1,800 customers in 50 countries, processing more than 8 million registrations annually. Certain's event management solutions support a full range of events – from small meetings and educational sessions, to large conferences and world events, including the United Nations World Summit and the Olympics.

Certain Software is committing 5 scholarships in 2010 to students at educational institutions fostering the next generation of meeting and event managers.

If you are a student at one of the colleges or universities offering meeting and event training using our **Certain Events™** software, you may well be in line to be awarded a valuable scholarship.

I would encourage you to apply and please note that applications close on Friday, 28 May 2010.

Good luck.

Peter Micciche
CEO
Certain Software

Certain Software and **mice.net magazine** are very pleased to issue the applications for the Rising Star 2010 Scholarships.

If you are a student at one of the colleges or universities offering meetings and event training using Certain's **events Enterprise** software, you may be eligible for one of five scholarships, valued at \$1,500 AUD or \$1,500 USD each, that will be awarded.

Applying for a Scholarship

- Read the Selection Criteria to assess your eligibility (Section 1)
- Read the Scholarship Rules to assess your eligibility (Section 2)
- Complete the Application Form (Sections 3 – 7)
- Seek endorsement from your teacher (Section 8)

Please complete the Application Form in BLOCK letters in black or blue ink.

Fax to +61 7.3041.3513 or scan and send the full application by email to risingstar@certain.com and provide one copy of the full application to your course teacher.

Closing Date: Friday, 28 May 2010

Announcement Date: Friday, 11 June 2010

Successful applicants will receive the first of two equal installments (\$750) by the end of June 2010.

1 Selection Criteria

To be eligible for a Certain Software Rising Star 2010 Scholarship, you must be studying a full time event management course at a recognized institution participating in the Certain Rising Star program in 2010. Please attach documentary evidence to prove successful full time study. The Rising Star 2010 Scholarships are open to all full time students regardless of the amount of study completed.

2 Scholarship Rules

Enrollment in Course

Scholarship recipients are expected to remain enrolled in the course as at the time of application.

Successful Academic Progress

The Scholarship is paid in two equal installments. The first is paid on awarding the scholarship in end of June 2010. The second will be paid in mid October 2010.

Continued payment of the scholarship is subject to the student maintaining at least a 75% Credit Average, which will be based on first semester assessment. The academic institution will provide Certain Software with a report on the academic progress of the scholarship recipient at the conclusion of the first semester.

Students are also expected to attend 80% of courses to be eligible for the second scholarship payment. Proof of this may be required.

Mode of Study

Scholarship recipients will be required to pursue their course of study on a full-time basis on campus. Scholarship recipients will be required to study no less than four units per semester. At Certain Software' discretion, variations to the above may be permitted in exceptional circumstances.

Closing Date for Application

Applications must be submitted via email to the Scholarships Officer, Certain Software, by close of business on Friday, 28 May 2010.

Number of Scholarships

Certain Software, at its discretion, may vary the number of scholarships offered each year.

Duration and Value of Scholarship

Scholarships are provided for one year only and consist of two equal installments of \$750 AUD (or \$750 USD depending on the location of the educational institution).

Termination of Scholarship

Certain Software reserves the right to terminate a scholarship if, in the opinion of Certain Software, the scholarship recipient has not complied with the conditions of the scholarship.

Selection Committee

The Selection Committee will be composed of Certain Software representatives. The Selection Committee determines the procedures to be followed and the suitable candidates to whom a scholarship could be offered. The Selection Committee's decision is final.

Privacy Information

The personal information you provide on the application is protected by the Privacy and Personal Information Act 1998. The supply of this information by you is voluntary; however, the supply of incomplete information will prevent your application from being considered. The personal information you provide will not be made available to any person or organization outside of Certain Software.

Announcement Date

All applicants will be notified of their result by email on Friday, 11 June 2010.

Scholarship Payment Date

The successful applicant will receive the first of two equal installments (\$750 AUD or \$750 USD) before the end of June 2010. The second installment will be paid mid October 2010.

3 Personal Information

Title

Family Name

First Given Name

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yy)

Gender (M/F)

4 Contact Details

Number and Street

Suburb or Town

State

Postcode

Home Phone

Mobile or Work Phone

Email Address

5 Education Institution

Name of Institution

Phone

Address

Name of Course Leader

OP / Grade Results

Year of Completion

6 Further Information Required

Attach a brief statement (1000 words maximum) outlining your interests and achievements outside of academic study, evidence of leadership qualities, your future goals and ambitions, and any other information that may be used to support your application.

7 Declarations by Applicant

I hereby declare that the information provided by me in this application is accurate, complete and my work entirely. I understand that the decision by Certain Software with regard to the Rising Star 2010 Scholarships applied for on this form is final.

I recognize it is my responsibility to provide all necessary information and documentary evidence in support of my application.

I understand that Certain Software has the right to vary or cancel an application made on the basis of what Certain Software determines to be untrue or incomplete information from any source.

I declare that I have read the instructions and that all the information submitted is correct and complete and I accept the conditions of application.

I have read and support this application.

Signature of Applicant

Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian (If applicant is under 18 years of age)

Date

