

## MEDIA RELEASE

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# ISTQB® announces winner of the 2018 Software Testing Excellence Award.

The ISTQB® are delighted to confirm Paul Gerrard as the winner of the 2018 International Software Testing Excellence Award. Mr. Gerrard was presented the Award today [2<sup>nd</sup> November 2018] at the ISTQB® General Assembly meeting in Berlin, Germany.

The Award Panel selected Mr. Gerrard in recognition of his commitment and contribution to software quality and the testing profession. In particular, he has been at the center of solutions to some of the testing industries most significant challenges.

Mr. Gerrard is a consultant, teacher, webmaster, developer and tester. He is a regular publisher of articles, an author, renowned conference speaker and winner of multiple testing industry awards. He has conducted consulting assignments in all aspects of software testing and quality assurance, specializing in test assurance. He is Principal of Gerrard Consulting Limited and is the host of the Assurance Leadership Forum in the UK.



Geoff Thompson, interim President of the ISTQB® stated, “Paul has motivated, inspired and helped shape the testing profession. His early vision for a program of skills and competence development for people in testing has had a positive impact in countries around the world”.

Mr. Gerrard commented, “I am delighted and honored to receive the Excellence Award from ISTQB®. There are many people who have contributed to the industry and to be singled out and be recognized is a lovely reward. I would like to thank the ISTQB® worldwide community”.



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ISTQB® is an organization based on volunteer work by hundreds of software testing experts around the world.

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