

Cleantech Connect

Winners

- [2009](#)
- [2010](#)

The Cleantech Connect 2009 awards gala was a fantastic event, attracting the 'who is who' of Europe's cleantech world. Martin Smith, Founder of Beaumont Partners and Chairman of GP Bullhound, addressed the crowd and talked about his personal experience and interest in cleantech, and the opening of the Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment at Oxford University, a major new research and teaching institution.

The Top 30 companies in the 2009 list collectively grew their revenue base from € 171 in 2006 to € 444 in 2008, certainly plenty of reason to celebrate.

Chris Norval, CEO, picked up two awards for Green Gas International which was awarded with Best Management and Best Execution. ClimateWell's CEO Per Olofsson proudly accepted the price for being listed as Nr1 on the ranking table and the trophy for The Fastest Growing Company award. MBA Polymers' CEO Richard McCombs won the award for Uniqueness of Offering, and the Vision & Future Growth potential award went to Greenroad and was accepted by SrVP Eric Shisko.

ClimateWell

Winner – Fastest Growing Company Award

ClimateWell develops, produces, and markets indoor climate solutions for use in residential, commercial, and industrial structures.

The company's proprietary heating and cooling technology is able to store energy and enables hot water to cool or heat any structure on-demand and without the use of electricity. This renders oil, electricity, and gas unnecessary for indoor climate control.

ClimateWell's solution addresses both the rising cost of energy and the need to reduce global CO2 emissions. According to company press, the average family can reduce their CO2 emissions by up to 15 tonnes per year by switching to a ClimateWell system, whereas changing from a conventional car to a hybrid will save approximately 1 tonne of CO2 emissions per year.

ClimateWell is based in Sweden with manufacturing operations in Spain and research in Finland. Management includes Per Olofsson (CEO), Helena Haglund (CFO) and Göran Bolin (CTO). The company is backed by Industrifonden, Northzone Ventures, Skirner AB, Turnstone Capital Management and Utilsun.

Green Gas International

Winner - Best Execution Award & Best Management Award

Green Gas International converts methane emissions from coal mines and landfills into clean energy and carbon credits.

The company partners with coal mine and landfill owners to offer a commercially viable solution for gas management by providing gas collection, gas drainage, project management, operations and maintenance, carbon credit application assistance and financing options.

Green Gas seeks to curb climate change at the industrial level by bringing their solution to businesses where methane conversion is outside the main focus of their operations.

The company's solutions are based on the Kyoto Protocol's Clean Development Mechanism and Joint Implementation.

Green Gas is headquartered in the Netherlands and has subsidiary operations in the UK, Germany, Czech Republic, Switzerland, the United States, and China, as well as additional operations in Belgium, Colombia, Spain, Austria, Ireland, Chile, Ukraine, and Ecuador.

Green Gas's management includes Christiaan Norval (CEO), Patrick Krähenbühl (CFO), and Bob Shekleton (COO). The company is backed by Demeter Partners.

MBA Polymers

Winner – Uniqueness of Offering Award

MBA Polymers operates recycling facilities, using their automated process to recover plastics and other materials from durable streams containing comingled materials, such as computers, electronics, appliances and automobiles. The company's recovered and upgraded plastics are recycled to large manufacturers for reuse in similar applications. Ferrous and nonferrous materials recovered through the company's process are also recovered and recycled from local recyclers.

MBA Polymers contributes to curbing climate change by "Closing the Loop" with manufacturers. The company's facilities are capable of processing several million pounds of plastics per month. MBA Polymers has plants in the European Union, the United States and China. MBA Polymers' management includes: Richard McCombs (CEO), Michael Biddle (President and Co-Founder), and Allen Trip (Co-Founder). The company is backed by Aloe Private Equity, Asia West, Balderton Capital, Doughty Hanson Technology Ventures, and Honeywell Capital Management.

GreenRoad

Winner – Vision & Future Growth Potential Award

GreenRoad provides a comprehensive technology-based service that fundamentally changes driving behavior. We enable commercial fleets, insurers and consumers to measure, improve and sustain safe and fuel-efficient driving behavior.

Commercial fleet customers, such as Ryder, FirstGroup, Ericsson and the UK MOD, typically cut crash costs in half, reduce fuel consumption up to 10 percent and realize immediate savings.

The company's flagship commercial fleet service, GreenRoad 360™, combines real-time, automated driver coaching with web-based applications that continuously rate driving skills and behavior. The service supports scaling up to thousands of vehicles per fleet today.

GreenRoad continuously measures and analyzes those maneuvers which most impact safe driving, fuel efficiency and emissions; and focuses driver-specific feedback accordingly. Drivers are positively motivated to change their behavior behind the wheel. Constant reinforcement in the form of a simple red-yellow-green display empowers them to sustain behavior improvements. Fleet management and risk and safety professionals gain complete visibility into driving behavior and have easy-to-use tools they need to help drivers achieve specific safety and fuel-efficiency goals.

GreenRoad's service operates as an open multi-vendor platform for partners, including industry-leading technology, insurance, distribution and research organizations. We enable customers to create complete best-of-breed solutions and protect their investment.

