

**Our company received the Flanders Export Award on 18 April 2005. This trophy, awarded by Flanders Export Promotion Agency, rewards the strongest export performance every year.**

Flanders Export Promotion Agency organizes each year a competition for the Belgian companies with the best performances in export.

The Belgian Authorities want to reward, with the “Lion of Export”, the company that is persistently looking for new markets, develops new products and networks, participates at worldwide expositions, creates marketing tools in several languages, etc.

In the category Best Performer, the trophy goes to our company that has been exporting for several years, but that put in an extremely good export performance last year. During the last three years, the company exports still more (to 35 countries) and has also tripled the number of employees. This all inspired the jury to describe BEST NV as ‘exemplary to the direction Flanders has to follow in the future: that of technology and innovation’. This trophy was given by our Minister for Foreign Affairs. We are proud to win this competition, especially when you know that 80% of the Belgian turnover is exported which makes it more difficult to compete with other companies.

As a reward for our efforts, our company is recognised by our government as the best exporter, which reinforces our image and trustworthiness, and has the additional benefit that we can use the services of several companies (Ernst & Young, TQ3 Travel Solutions, DHL, Mediagroep Kompas and the Flanders Export Promotion Agency) for a counter value of about € 11.500.

With such a crew of employees and agents, we feel we are destined to progress even further, and we would like to express our appreciation for your willingness and efforts which made this award possible.

