



## **The 2013 ASIA-PAC Region DISABILITY MATTERS Honorees are Selected for their Innovative Programs Advancing Persons with a Disability in the Workplace, Workforce and Marketplace**

USA (7/25/13) – Springboard Consulting, LLC® is pleased to announce the 2013 ASIA-PAC Region DISABILITY MATTERS honorees:

### **WORKFORCE AWARD RECIPIENTS**

**AXA Life Insurance • Deutsche Bank • Goldman Sachs • UNIQLO/FAST RETAILING**

### **WORKPLACE AWARD RECIPIENTS**

**Accenture • Cisco • Mindtree Limited • Thomson Reuters • Wipro**

### **MARKETPLACE AWARD RECIPIENTS**

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The Disability Matters Awards annually honors companies in the areas of: Marketplace, Workforce and Workplace that through innovative programs result in the successful outreach, recruitment, support and retention of candidates, employees and/or customers who have a disability. This year's winners will be honored at the inaugural 2013 ASIAPAC Region DISABILITY MATTERS Conference, on September 19, at Cisco's Globalization Centre in Bangalore, India.

The honorees represent the best of the best when it comes to the commitment required and actions necessary to successfully mainstream disability. These forward-thinking companies achieve their diversity vision through implementing cutting edge disability initiatives which improve performance, employee development, retention, and build market share.

"I am proud of in which ways companies are proactively seeking innovative approaches to include persons with disabilities weather they are customers, stake holders and/or employees. We are pleased and honored that Cisco is hosting this most important corporate event, along with this year's partner, Community Business and sponsors to include ABB, Accenture, as well as Intuit. Global sponsor is Ingersoll Rand", said Nadine Vogel, CEO of Springboard Consulting LLC.

The Inaugural ASIA-PAC Region DISABILITY MATTERS Conference will feature executive presenters from best practice corporations along with thought leaders, experts from academia and the non-profit sectors.

Companies interested in becoming a sponsor, or purchasing tickets, will find details by visiting:

<http://www.consultspringboard.com/category/disability-matters/disability-matters-2013-ap/>.

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### **ABOUT SPRINGBOARD®**

Founded in 2005, Springboard is recognized as the expert in mainstreaming disability in the global workforce, workplace and marketplace. Serving corporations and organizations throughout the U.S., Canada, Europe and Asia, Springboard has become a trusted partner in relation to disability issues and initiatives across virtually every business category. Springboard annually honors exemplary organizational initiatives that promote the outreach, support & engagement of people with disabilities as employees and as consumers through the Disability Matters Awards.

### **ABOUT CISCO**

Cisco (NASDAQ: CSCO) is the worldwide leader in networking that transforms how people connect, communicate and collaborate. At Cisco customers come first and an integral part of Cisco's DNA is creating long-lasting customer partnerships and working with them to identify their needs and provide solutions that support their success. Cisco is committed to fostering an inclusive, diverse, innovative, and collaborative environment that benefits employees, customers, and partners. Information about Cisco can be found at [cisco.com](http://cisco.com)

### **ABOUT COMMUNITY BUSINESS**

With a mission 'to lead, inspire and support companies to improve their positive impact on people and communities', and as a leader in diversity and inclusion in Asia, Community Business is committed to encouraging and supporting companies to address the subject of disability within their organisations. By focusing efforts on highlighting the business imperative, changing mindsets and helping companies build their capability to employ and do business with disabled people, Community Business is working with companies in the Asia region to build 'disability confidence' and in so doing remove barriers to inclusion.