

# **AMD'S HECTOR RUIZ TO GET MORGAN STANLEY LEADERSHIP AWARD**

**JUNE 2, 2006, Framingham, MA**– Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of AMD, Hector de J. Ruiz, Ph.D., is being recognized for his critical contribution toward the effective use of information technology throughout the world.

He will receive The Morgan Stanley Leadership Award for Global Commerce at the Computerworld Honors Gala Awards evening, June 5 at the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium in Washington, D.C.

Ruiz was selected by a Morgan Stanley nominating committee of executives from companies such as Microsoft, MetLife, Red Hat, VeriSign, and iVillage. In an interview for the Computerworld Honors Global Archives, Ruiz said leadership requires integrity "so that employees and customers trust you and they know you will always tell them the truth." IT leadership, he explained, "is being able to really think, am I changing the rules of the game, or am I just focused on a very linear view of where the world has been for many years."

For three decades Ruiz has been a leader in the semiconductor industry at Texas Instruments, Motorola, and now AMD. He believes that technology has the "capability of bringing to people knowledge and education that might be difficult to be brought to them in any other way." To that end, in 2004, at the World Economic Forum in Davos, he announced AMD's 50 x 15 initiative to provide 50 percent of the world's population with basic Internet access by 2015.

"Morgan Stanley has chosen an individual who is a role model for both corporate leadership and humanitarian causes," said Bob Carrigan, president, IDG Communications, and Chairman of the Chairmen's Committee of the Computerworld Honors Program. "I want to congratulate Hector on this well deserved recognition and thank Morgan Stanley for its ongoing commitment to the Leadership Award for Global Commerce."

The Morgan Stanley Leadership Award is bestowed each year as part of the Computerworld Honors Program where 10 organizations will receive the 21st Century Achievement Awards for their use of technology that benefits society.

For the Computerworld Honors Program, Morgan Stanley nominated Axiom Software Laboratories, Inc.; Constant Contact; Core Security Technologies; DemandTec, Inc.; Freightquote.com; Perceptive Software, Inc.; PKWARE, Inc.; Salesforce.com; Savi Technology; Sirius Satellite Radio, Inc.; UPEK, Inc.; VMware, Inc.; Webroot Software, Inc.

In addition, at the June 5 gala, Linda M. Dillman, Executive Vice President, Risk Management and Benefits Administration, Wal-Mart Stores, will be honored with the 2006 EMC Information Leadership award.

**About the Computerworld Honors Program**

Founded by International Data Group (IDG) in 1988, the Computerworld Honors Program is governed by the not-for-profit Computerworld Information Technology Awards Foundation. In its 18th year, Computerworld Honors is the longest running global program to honor individuals and organizations that use information technology to benefit society.

Each year, the program's Chairmen's Committee, a group of 100 Chairmen/CEOs of global technology companies, nominates individuals and organizations around the world whose visionary application of information technology promotes positive social and economic progress. Nominations are evaluated by an independent board of CIO-level judges who select laureates, finalists and award winners, in 10 industry-related categories, to be honored at a Laureate Medal Ceremony. This year's ceremony and accompanying Gala Awards Program will take place on June 5, 2006 at the Andrew W. Mellon Auditorium in Washington, D.C.

The technology achievements honored by this program are preserved and protected in national archives, and in over 250 universities, museums and research institutions throughout the world. Additional information about the program and a Global Archive of past laureate case studies and oral histories can be found at the Computerworld Honors website: [www.cwhonors.org](http://www.cwhonors.org)

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