

## NAPATECH NAMED BY TORNADO INSIDER AMONG EUROPE'S TOP 100 PRIVATE TECH COMPANIES

### *Best Performing Companies of 2004*

**Copenhagen, Denmark / Mountain View, CA - 26 January 2005**, Napatech has been selected as one of the best-performing and innovative high-tech private companies of Europe and Israel in the fourth annual **Tornado100** list. Napatech, headquartered in Copenhagen, was founded in 2003 by Jens Christophersen and Thomas Jørgensen and specializes in programmable network interface cards for network management and control, security and other specialty applications.

"The whole Napatech team is honored that our efforts have been recognized by Tornado Insider in its ranking of the Top 100 start-ups in Europe and Israel," said Jens Christophersen, CTO and co-founder of Napatech. "The award acknowledges the fact that our top-quality team has developed a superior and relevant product. Being a 2004 Tornado100 Winner will help generate the visibility in the international marketplace, which is very important for us to realize the full potential of our strategy."

The 2004 Tornado100 list can be found on the website of Tornado Insider ([www.tornado-insider.com](http://www.tornado-insider.com)), and includes a profile of Napatech and the other 99 most promising and innovative emerging companies in the European IT and biotech sectors.

"The companies Tornado Insider selected are Europe's technology stars," said Niels Valkering, Tornado Insider's Head of Research. "Combining internal analysis with advice from industry specialists, we identified the elite of Europe's high-tech entrepreneurial vanguard, appreciating excellence both in innovative, commercial and financial performance. Watch these companies in 2005, as the technology they are commercializing today will change tomorrow's trends."

The selection of the 2004 Tornado100 Winners from thousands of candidates was judged according to the following criteria:

- Delivering an innovation that shows the promise to set new standards
- Creating a major new audience
- Supplying a key piece of the ICT infrastructure
- Commanding a significant customer base
- Having the potential to become a global brand or standard
- Influencing a major market
- Receiving a significant amount of funding
- Having a strong valuation for a lucrative exit
- Having a management with previous successful exit experience

The list was announced during the Tornado Insider/World Financial Symposiums T100 Leadership Forum. This event took place January 26th, 2005 in London and was a gathering of technology CEOs and CFOs eager to gain insights on how to lead their enterprise and their careers to more effective and positive outcomes.

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### **About Napatech**

Founded in 2003, Napatech is focus on programmable and intelligent Ethernet adapters. The core idea is off-loading real-time/streaming traffic and payload analysis and control applications traditionally implemented in software or proprietary hardware. Napatech expects a huge growth in the demand for intelligent and programmable adapters as Ethernet speeds increase. The current PC architecture limits the amount of bandwidth that can be handled by the PCI bus and CPU/memory. Napatech offers its products to OEM customers. Napatech has marketing and R&D offices in Mountain View, California and Copenhagen, Denmark.

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