

INTERACTIVE DATA AND EXPANSIÓN HOST FUNDS AWARDS IN MADRID

Interactive Data joins Spain's leading financial newspaper for the second time to recognise the top performing investment companies of 2008

London, UK and Frankfurt, Germany – 9 March 2009 – Interactive Data Corporation (NYSE: IDC), a leading provider of financial market data, analytics and related services, today announced that its Managed Solutions business will join UNEDISA (Unidad Editorial S.A.), publisher of *Expansión* and a leading financial information company in Spain, in hosting the annual funds awards in Madrid on 12 March 2009. This event recognises the leading Spanish investment companies for their performance over the past year and is one of the most prestigious events for the Spanish funds industry.

The 'Expansión/Interactive Data Funds Awards' will take place in Real Casa de Correos, Madrid. Speakers on the night will include Esperanza Aguirre (president of the Community of Madrid), Jesús Martínez de Rioja Vázquez (editor, *Expansión*) and Roger Sargeant (managing director, International, Interactive Data).

The awards will recognise best performances in the following categories: funds within seven sectors; international investment companies (small, medium and large); national investment companies (small, medium and large); funds (stocks, bonds and mixed); and pension funds (stocks, bonds and mixed). Around 300 guests, including senior representatives of the Spanish funds and banking industry, are expected to attend the ceremony and gala dinner.

"Expansión is proud to organise this leading event in the financial community in Spain for the 20th consecutive year. Together with Interactive Data, we will highlight in particular the work of those asset managers who have managed to achieve positive results during an extraordinarily difficult 2008," said Jesús Martínez de Rioja Vázquez, editor at *Expansión*.

Roger Sargeant, managing director, International, Interactive Data, added: "We are delighted to host this prestigious fund awards event for the second consecutive year. It is always important that the industry recognises those investment companies that have performed well."

About Interactive Data Corporation

Interactive Data Corporation (NYSE: IDC) is a leading global provider of financial market data, analytics and related solutions to financial institutions, active traders and individual investors. The Company's businesses supply real-time market data, time-sensitive pricing, evaluations and reference data for millions of securities traded around the world, including hard-to-value instruments. Many of the world's best-known financial service and software companies subscribe to the Company's services in support of their trading, analysis, portfolio management and valuation activities. Interactive Data, headquartered in Bedford, Mass., has approximately 2,400 employees in offices located throughout North America, Europe, Asia and Australia. Pearson plc (NYSE: PSO; LSE: PSON), an international media company, whose businesses include the Financial Times Group, Pearson Education, and the Penguin Group, is Interactive Data Corporation's majority stockholder.

Interactive Data's Managed Solutions business is a leading provider and operator of customised financial information systems. The group builds and manages Web-based financial market data portals and terminals for a range of organisations worldwide, from retail and investment banks to asset managers, online brokers, stock exchanges and media portals. By aggregating a broad set of financial data and client-proprietary content and offering visually stunning features such as charts, sophisticated search functions, decision-support tools and analytics, these intuitive applications can help customers optimise their business processes and realise efficiencies. This group is managed as part of the Interactive Data's Real-Time Services business, which provides a comprehensive suite of offerings that includes PlusFeedSM, a consolidated, low-latency digital datafeed.

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