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**Actisense named regional Small Business of the Year at British Chamber Awards**

Actisense, the marine and agritech electronics company based in Poole, UK, has been awarded the British Chamber award for *Small Business of the Year* – sponsored by Facebook – for the south west region.

Actisense was the only company from Dorset to feature on the list of regional winners and will now represent the county at the national awards finals. Regional winners all go on to be finalists in nine different categories at the Chamber Business Awards Gala Dinner on Thursday 28 November 2019, taking place at Tobacco Dock in London.

**Phil Whitehurst, CEO of Actisense, commented on the win:**

“It was a wonderful surprise to receive a call from Ian Girling (Chief Executive of Dorset Chamber of Commerce) who let us know this great news! We’re proud to be a Dorset-based business and we look forward to flying the Dorset flag at the national award finals.”

Recognising and rewarding excellence in British business, the Chamber Business Awards is one of the UK’s most contested and prestigious business award programmes. Each year, from Aberdeen to Cornwall, organisations of all sizes and sectors compete for the coveted titles and the national recognition they bring.

**Francis Martin, President of the British Chambers of Commerce (BCC) said**:

“The Chamber Business Awards are a great opportunity to celebrate the best of British business. Across the country, there are firms of all sizes and sectors thriving and showing their innovation and adaptability, even in the midst of turbulent times.

“Our businesses communities continue to generate prosperity and opportunity so it’s only right that we support and shout about the fantastic things they are doing.

“Each year the calibre of applicants impresses our judges, and this pool of entrants was no different. All our finalists should be proud of their success in reaching this stage and we wish them the very best of luck.”

For more information about the British Chambers Awards visit: <https://www.britishchambers.org.uk/events/chamber-awards>

For more information on Actisense, visit: [www.actisense.com](http://www.actisense.com)

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**Editors Notes:**

Pictured: Actisense CEO, Phil Whitehurst (left) receiving award from Ian Girling (Chief Exec, Dorset Chamber of Commerce)

Actisense, based in Poole, United Kingdom, was formed by Phil Whitehurst, a Chartered Electronics Engineer and established in 1997. Actisense has been creating intelligent marine electronic products that have seen them become recognised for their reliability both nationally and internationally. They are now exported to over 80 distributors in more than 40 countries worldwide.