

## PRESS RELEASE

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## Good Design Award 2013 - Special Award winners were decided

Japan Institute of Design Promotion (JDP, located in Minato-ku, Tokyo), has released the Special Award winners of Good Design Award 2013 as of November 7. Special Award winners were selected by jury from GOOD DESIGN Best 100, which were announced on October 1 as the entire collection of exquisite designs.

<The breakdown of Good Design Award 2013 Special Award winners>



Global Design 2013	1
Gold Award	20
Design for the Future Award	8
Small and Medium Enterprises Award	8
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<Global Design 2013>

"Google Maps" was selected as an inaugural special award "Global Design 2013". For this year, no one was suitable for the Grand Award.

It is newly established as the award commends highly appreciated in the Good Design Award 2013 screening and also pulled many sympathies from users.

## Global Design 2013: Google Maps (Google Inc.)

Japan

The Google Maps app for iPhone, launched in December of 2012, offers accuracy, comprehensiveness, and a clean, intuitive, easy-to-use experience.



Although it is already globally familiarized application,

the user interface such as navigation or search is greatly improved and surely keeps developing. Full of artifices to utilize limited size of the picture, improved convenience to see the map and information simultaneously and well customized by countries.

Superb and diligent interaction design based on the user point of view

For more details of other Special Award winners, please visit: <a href="http://www.g-mark.org/award/">http://www.g-mark.org/award/</a>

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Good Design Award website: <a href="http://www.q-mark.org/?locale=en">http://www.q-mark.org/?locale=en</a>

All the images are available.

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