

# Voting now open. Forton Group Sponsors Women in Logistics Awards



Helen Caton Hughes (right), CEO, The Forton Group, presenting last year's award

Shortlisting has been completed for the Women in Logistics UK Company of the Year Award 2013 sponsored by The Forton Group

Shortlisted companies are Premier Farnell, Royal Mail Group and Unipart Logistics:

	<p>Many women describe <b>Premier Farnell</b> as a place where people's aspirations are welcomed and actively encouraged</p>
	<p>A Women's Development Programme at <b>Royal Mail</b> offers non-management female employees a series of confidence-boosting workshops and support network</p>
	<p><b>Unipart</b> won platinum member status from Business in the Community, in part for its work/home balance and performance-based promotion programmes</p>

Forton Group's CEO, Helen Caton Hughes said:

*"It's great to be sponsoring the **Company of the Year Award** for the second year in a row.*

*Companies that support the development of their women leaders, by giving them the same opportunities as men, achieve in the region of 11% better results than their competitors.*

*Here at the Forton Group, what we like about the Women in Logistics initiative is that they promote pioneering companies in the sector and raise vital funds for the industry charity Transaid, too. We're looking forward to presenting the award to the successful company of the year, next month."*

The winner will be selected by a public vote, the voting page can be found online here [http://www.womeninlogistics.org.uk/imagevote\\_company/imagevote.php](http://www.womeninlogistics.org.uk/imagevote_company/imagevote.php)

Women in Logistics - [www.womeninlogistics.org.uk](http://www.womeninlogistics.org.uk) is free to join, and open to anyone interested in the logistics sector. It is run on a volunteer basis and Helen Caton Hughes, CEO of the Forton Group, supports its innovative mentoring scheme.

Women in logistics aims are to

- Increase the number of women in the sector
- Improve life for those women already working in logistics
- Address the gender imbalance issue
- Provide networking events for members
- Offer support and mentoring
- Provide advice and encouragement to those in the industry
- Showcase the achievements of role-model women