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### **Interise Names Linda Swerling the Ace Advisor for 2013**

Brookline, MA, October 18, 2013 – At its 2<sup>nd</sup> annual breakfast and awards ceremony, *thrive!*, on October 17, Interise named Linda Swerling, founder of Level II Solutions, Inc., the Ace Advisor of 2013. Linda is a member of Interise’s private sector network (PSN) and offers financial, operations, and accounting help to the small business owners who are part of Interise’s StreetWise ‘MBA’™ program. Program participants voted for a mentor, advisor, or coach who helped propel their businesses.

Laura Scarlett-Tavares, senior program manager of Interise, said, “Linda has had a great impact on our Streetwise ‘MBA’ participants. She received numerous nominations for her contributions to the success of their businesses.”

“I am so proud to work with such a fine organization as Interise, which succeeds in its mission to stimulate economic revitalization,” said Linda Swerling. “I would like to thank everyone in the wonderful Streetwise ‘MBA’ program who nominated me. I am honored to receive this award.”

Interise (formerly InnerCity Entrepreneurs) is the premier organization for established small businesses interested in growth. Interise provides a diverse group of small business owners with entrepreneurial education, new networks, and access to markets to help create jobs, grow businesses, and develop community leaders. For more information on Interise, visit [www.interise.org](http://www.interise.org).

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Linda Swerling founded Level II Solutions, Inc. in 1987. The firm, located in Brookline, offers interim and part-time CFO services, operations consulting, accounting systems assessment and implementation, and business consulting. With her strategic thinking, analytical mind, and excellent communication skills, Linda offers unique, strategic capabilities and a proven, successful approach to help organizations achieve increased profitability, a stronger infrastructure, and more effective financial management. She has significant experience in turnarounds where she puts her strong negotiation skills to good use. For more information, visit [www.level2solutions.com](http://www.level2solutions.com).

A frequent author and lecturer, Linda's articles have appeared in *Boston Business Journal*, *Mass High Tech*, *Jacksonville Business Journal*, and *Women's Business*. She has also been featured in *Smart Money*, *Home Office Computing*, and on [LowesForPros.com](http://LowesForPros.com), [Working Woman Online](http://WorkingWomanOnline.com), and [Office.com](http://Office.com). A past president of the Boston Human Resources Association (BHRA), Linda is a member of the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). In addition to being an Interise private sector network volunteer, she is a member of the Cambridge Innovation Center (CIC) community, the Boston Business Women's Resource Group, and Women In Business Networking Group.

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