

## Wibu-Systems Wins BOLD Awards VI in Cybersecurity for AxProtector CTP

- AxProtector CTP celebrated for combining obfuscation techniques with licensing features during compilation
- Responds to new OS security policies and industry-wide protection demands
- Part of Wibu-Systems' CodeMeter platform for holistic IP protection and monetization

*The award recognizes CodeMeter's AxProtector Compile Time Protection for revolutionizing secure software development across platforms*

Karlsruhe, Germany – Wibu-Systems has won the Cybersecurity category at the **BOLD Awards VI**, held in Lisbon, Portugal. The award was granted in recognition of **AxProtector Compile Time Protection (CTP)**, a solution that combines sophisticated compile-time obfuscation and licensing control, designed to protect software from reverse engineering and unauthorized use. Oliver Winzenried, co-founder and CEO of Wibu-Systems, personally received **the award** at the gala event on 28 March 2025.

*"In a world where digital threats evolve daily, true innovators don't just react – they stay ahead. Congratulations to Wibu-Systems, the BOLD Awards VI winner in Cybersecurity, for pushing the boundaries of protection, trust, and resilience. Keep leading the way and always be BOLD!" – Epi Ludvik, Founder & CEO of BOLD Awards.*

### A Response to System-Level Changes and Industry Shifts

The development of AxProtector CTP was not solely driven by the rising number of cyber threats. It also emerged as a strategic response to a broader shift in the software ecosystem – particularly Apple's increasingly strict security guidelines. Traditional protection methods where encrypted code must be decrypted before execution, often fall short in these new environments, exposing applications to risks during runtime.

AxProtector CTP changes the paradigm by using enhanced obfuscation techniques to program code and encrypting sensitive data structures, including control flow logic. This aligns with updated macOS code-signing protocols and ensures uninterrupted, high-level protection across modern platforms. At the same time, industries worldwide are demanding more flexible, licensing-aware protection that keeps pace with both development trends and compliance requirements.

## AxProtector CTP: Securing Software at its Source

AxProtector CTP integrates directly with the LLVM compiler infrastructure, enabling deeply embedded, tamper-resistant software protection right at the source code level. By applying advanced obfuscation and code transformation techniques during compilation, it renders program logic unintelligible to attackers while retaining performance and stability. The protected application features encrypted control flow, inserted integrity checks, and runtime binding to license credentials – all executed without compromising user experience.



The technology supports cross-platform development for Windows, Linux, and macOS, and is compatible with Intel, ARMHF, and AARCH64 architectures. With minimal performance overhead, AxProtector CTP is particularly well-suited for real-time systems and edge computing environments.

*“By integrating compile-time obfuscation and license enforcement into the developer’s toolchain, AxProtector CTP makes it extremely hard and time-consuming for attackers to reconstruct code logic. This is a leap forward in both usability and effectiveness for protecting critical software.” – Axel Engelmann, R&D Software, Team Lead Protection at Wibu-Systems.*

## A Core Component of CodeMeter Protection Suite

As part of CodeMeter Protection Suite, AxProtector CTP plays a pivotal role in delivering holistic IP protection and flexible licensing strategies. Together with modules like AxProtector Python, it extends security to AI-driven applications and native codebases alike. CodeMeter also enables monetization models through license-based access control, empowering vendors to protect their digital assets while unlocking recurring revenue streams.

*“Winning the BOLD Award is not just an honor; it’s a confirmation that our strategic focus on future-proof protection and licensing meets the needs of a changing digital landscape. We are proud to be recognized for our work in shaping the security of intelligent software.” – Oliver Winzenried, CEO of Wibu-Systems.*



Wibu-Systems CEO Oliver Winzenried receives the BOLD Award for Cybersecurity during the gala ceremony in Lisbon, Portugal, on 28 March 2025.

### Additional Dedicated Resources

- BOLD Awards VI Winners: <https://bold-awards.com/winners-finalists-bold-vi/>
- Article about AxProtector CTP: <https://www.wibu.com/maqazine/keynote-articles/article/detail/ai-advances-security-and-new-regulations.html>
- CodeMeter Awards: <https://www.wibu.com/it-security-awards.html>
- Press release as audio file: [https://www.wibu.com/fileadmin/Audiofiles/press\\_releases/WIBU-PR\\_BOLDawards\\_EN.mp3](https://www.wibu.com/fileadmin/Audiofiles/press_releases/WIBU-PR_BOLDawards_EN.mp3)
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Wibu-Systems is a global leader in cutting-edge cybersecurity and software license lifecycle management. We are committed to delivering unparalleled, award-winning, and internationally patented security solutions that protect the intellectual property embedded in digital assets and amplify the monetization opportunities of technical know-how. Catering to software publishers and intelligent device manufacturers, the interoperable hardware and software modules of our comprehensive CodeMeter suite safeguard against piracy, reverse engineering, tampering, sabotage, and cyberattacks across mainstream platforms and diverse industries.

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