



2015

NORTHERN IRELAND ENTERPRISE

AWARDS



Enterprise Northern Ireland | **Enterprise Awards 2015** | 26th November, Hilton Hotel, Belfast

L-R: Gordon Gough, Chief Executive Enterprise Northern Ireland; compere Claire McCollum; Patsy McGlone, MLA; John D'Arcy, Chairman of Enterprise Northern Ireland

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And the winner is...

The stars of local enterprise shone bright on Thursday 26th November at the 2015 Northern Ireland Enterprise Awards, held at the Hilton Hotel Belfast. A total of ten awards were given out to the best and brightest in the small business sector, with the top award – Business Start Up of the Year – going to Holohan's at the Barge.

We would like to extend our congratulations to all the winners and runners up whose work caught the attention of the judging panel. A big thank you also goes to all our sponsors for their support and to everyone who attended the Awards!



Presentation of the Special Recognition; Indigenous Business Award to Suki Tea L-R; Gavin Walker, Business First (award sponsor); Oscar Woolley, Suki Tea



Presentation of the Business Support Initiative of the Year Award to Larne Business Innovation & Incubation Programme (LBIIIP) L-R; John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI; Ken Nelson, LEDCOM; Helen McKenna, Clarity (award sponsor)



Presentation of the Exploring Enterprise Programme Personal Development Award to Danielle Tagg L-R; John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI; Danielle Tagg; Liam Kelly, Chain HR (award sponsor)



Presentation of the Growth Business of the Year Award to Blue Clarity Design Services Ltd L-R; Tom Griffiths, Founder of gapyear.com; Darren Fenton, Blue Clarity Design Services Ltd; Helen Winter, Walker Legal (award sponsor)



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Patsy McGlone, MLA



Presentation of the Young Entrepreneur of the Year Award to Mark O'Connor of Saturn LED L-R; John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI; Mark O'Connor of Saturn LED; Rachael McGuckin, BDO (award sponsor)



Presentation of the Social Enterprise of the Year Award to AEL Acceptable Enterprises Ltd L-R; Tom Griffiths, Founder of gapyear.com; David Hunter, AEL; Barry Connolly, UCIT (award sponsor)



Presentation of the Innovation Award (LEA) to Work West L-R; John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI; Claire Ferris, Work West; Mark McNeill, ASM (award sponsor)



Presentation of the Innovation Award (External) to Shnuggle L-R; John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI; Sinead Murphy, Shnuggle; Mark McNeill, ASM (award sponsor)



Presentation of the Business Adviser of the Year Award to Joanne Miller L-R; Tom Griffiths, Founder of gapyear.com; Joanne Miller, Roe Valley Enterprises, John D'Arcy, on behalf of The Open University (award sponsor)



Presentation of the Business Start Up of the Year Award to Holohan's at the Barge L-R; John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI; Emir Holohan, Holohan's at the Barge; Mark Crimmins, Ulster Bank (sponsor)



Presentation of the Business Start Up of the Year Runner Up Certificate to Saturn LED L-R; John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI; Mark O'Connor, Saturn LED; Mark Crimmins, Ulster Bank (sponsor)



Presentation of the Business Start Up of the Year Runner Up Certificate to Leisure Tours NI L-R; John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI; Darin Ferguson, Leisure Tours NI; Mark Crimmins, Ulster Bank (sponsor)



John D'Arcy, Chairman Enterprise NI with the famous Ballymena Bear





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Saturn LED - Mark O'Connor



Social Enterprise of the Year

AEL Acceptable Enterprises Ltd



Innovation Award

Work West - Snuggle



Business Adviser of the Year

**Joanne Miller,
Roe Valley Enterprises**



Business Start-up of the Year

Holohan's at the Barge



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