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through business and
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Judging

The Lord Stafford Awards East Midlands received 30 applications which is a great achievement in this first year.

The first round of judging took place on Tuesday 13th May, at Sutton Bonington Hall.

Brian Conway, Head of Government & Industry Affairs, East Midlands Airport, chaired the judging panel and was joined by:

Professor Philip Tasker, Vice Chancellor, De Montfort University,

Paul Bishop, Chairman, Winning Moves Limited,

Tony Pritchard, Centre Director, BERR Manufacturing Advisory Service,

Graham Mulholland, Managing Director, epm: technology,

Martin Traynor, Group Managing Director, Leicestershire Chamber of Commerce.

Short Listed Applications

This years short listed applicants have finally been revealed.

The 2008 short list is as follows:

Innovation in Development

- PAGeotechnical Ltd – Nottingham Trent University
- Dialog Devices Ltd – University of Leicester
- Monica Healthcare Ltd – The University of Nottingham
- Civil Defence Supply Ltd – University of Derby
- Wrights and Sons Ltd – De Montfort University

Innovation Achieved

- Easibind International Ltd – De Montfort University
- Progressive Sports Technologies - Loughborough University

Innovation for Sustainability

- British Precast Concrete Federation - Loughborough University
- Premier Foods – The University of Nottingham

The second part of the judging process will consist of onsite visits to the short listed companies which will take place on the 4th and 5th June.

The judging panel will be joined by Lord Stafford.

Winners of each category will win £5,000. The Awards will be announced at the Awards ceremony on Thursday 11th September, Goosedale, Nottingham.

"To attract some thirty entries in the first year of the LSA is a powerful endorsement of the decision to set up the awards in the East Midlands. The high standard and diversity of entries indicates the level of innovation and collaboration that is already taking place in the region and it promises to be a tough job for the judges to decide the winners."

Brian Conway, Head of Government & Industry Affairs, East Midlands Airport

Awards Evening

The Lord Stafford Awards East Midlands Dinner will be held at Goosedale, Nottingham on Thursday 11th September.

The evening will commence at 6.45pm with a drinks reception and exhibition followed by dinner and the announcement of the Awards.

We have Lord Digby Jones as our key speaker and the evening will be hosted by Dominic Heale from East Midlands Today.

If you would like to purchase a ticket, a table of 10 costs £500 or £60 per person. Please contact Emma Hinde at E.P.Hinde@lboro.ac.uk or on 01509 217867 to buy your tickets today!

Please Note: Spaces are limited so please book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets will be sold on a first come first served basis.

New Sponsors



The Lord Stafford Awards is delighted to welcome on board E.ON and the East Midlands Manufacturing Advisory Service to its sponsors portfolio.

Dave Clarke, Head of Research and Development, E.ON Engineering, said:

“As an innovation-driven business, we’re proud to sponsor an awards scheme that actively encourages the best in academia and business to work together to develop sustainable solutions for the future”

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