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Finalists of London Knowledge Transfer Awards Gear up for Gala Awards Evening

The finalists in this year's inaugural London Knowledge Transfer Awards have been selected and judged and all is set for a spectacular Awards Evening. The Awards, launched this year, attracted a range of entries from individuals and knowledge transfer collaborations which demonstrate that the UK is still one of the strongest countries in the world for research and scientific discovery - with London playing a key role as a world leading knowledge base.

Three entries from each of the six categories were selected as finalists and these organisations and individuals were visited by a judging team led by the category sponsor. This process will be concluded next week when the winners will be announced at the Awards Ceremony to be held at the Royal Garden Hotel Kensington, on Friday 5 December.

The selected finalists demonstrate innovation in a wide range of areas from food technology to matting solutions in the aircraft industry. All are the direct product of the London knowledge base and show the diversity and entrepreneurship of London's students. Several dealt with environmental projects which included sustainable energy technologies and weather forecasting products for the risk management industry. Many have already proved invaluable within commercial applications.

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All finalists will be attending a gala awards evening to be hosted by LBC radio presenter James Max and featuring TV personality and host of The Gadget Show on Channel 5; Jason Bradbury. The full background to the awards, the categories and the finalists are available on the Awards website, www.londonktawards.co.uk, or by telephone on 020 7580 8834.

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Notes to Editors: The full list of the finalists is shown below:

The Knowledge Base Collaboration Award sponsored by: *Knowledge Connect*

- University of Greenwich & Knowledge East working with the Cutty Sark Trust
- London South Bank University working with Vida Verde
- Snacks Unlimited working with London South Bank University

The Entrepreneurial Spirit Award sponsored by: *KnowledgeEast & WestFocus*

- Julian Polzella of AH Studios working with Palantir Economic Solutions
- Sami Rehman of Queen Mary University working with Welcome Gate
- Diane Elston of Kingston University working with JNDC

The Environmental Sciences Award sponsored by: *Natural Environment Research Council*

- Institute of Zoology working with Marine Stewardship Council
- Euro Tempest working with UCL
- Kings College London working with the Met Office

The Commercial Deal of the Year Award sponsored by: *The University of Greenwich*

- Central St Martins working with 15 Creative Ltd
- UCL Business plc working with Stanmore Implants Worldwide
- UCL working with a group of City financial institutions

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The Collaborative Innovation Excellence Award sponsored by: *John Laing plc & Thames Valley University*

- Cable Duct Ltd working with London South Bank University
- GMJ Design Ltd working with London South Bank University
- Fulcrum Consulting working with London South Bank University

The Knowledge Transfer Champion sponsored by: *Institute of Knowledge Transfer & the New Engineering Foundation*

- Charlene Edwards of Kingston University
- Sue Gunn of City University London
- Jeff Skinner of UCL