

DHL announces 49 Rising Star finalists

THE 2013 DHL Rising Star Awards – in partnership with the Human Capital Institute Africa (HCI Africa) – has announced that 49 finalists have been accepted to go through to the judging phase of the awards.

The finals will be on August 15.

Suzy Boucher, managing executive of HCI Africa and advisory and judging partner for the 2013 DHL Rising Star Awards, said that in light of the recent headlines regarding South Africa's dire skills shortage, it was incredibly encouraging to receive entries from many young talented individuals across various sectors.

"It is particularly pleasing to note the diversity, in terms of skills sets and roles, which we see in this year's entrants, as this confirms the existence of talent across a broad spectrum, which obviously increases the scope of potential talent pools."

Boucher said the awards, now in their second year, were established to recognise, celebrate and connect young, talented people who had demonstrated achievement and success, and contributed in an inspirational manner to South Africa's future.

The 2013 DHL Rising Star finalists are:

Energy and Chemicals (sponsor: Sasol)

Chantelle Greyling, Natref / Sasol.
Cobus Pieterse, Sasol Technology.
Dineo Kwili, Consolidated Power Projects.
Tshifhiwa Maphala, Shell South Africa.
Warwick Hayes, Sasol.

Entrepreneur/SMME (sponsor: ACSA)

Chris Dykes, Infinity Learning.
Justin van der Walt, Just Pc's.
Lali Tshikalange, Key Recruitment Group.
Ella Bella, Generation Earth.
Wayne Sinclair, Sundowner Adventures.

Banking and Financial Services (sponsor: Standard Bank)

Adriaan Kloppers, AIG South Africa Limited.
Brandon Garbutt, Liberty Life.
Setlogane Manchidi, Investec.
Yaseen Ismail, AIG South Africa Ltd.

Tourism & Hospitality (sponsor: Tsogo Sun)

Mariska Botha, Park Inn by Radisson Sandton.
Ravi Nadasen, Tsogo Sun.
Simo Mthimkulu, City Lodge Hotels Limited.
Tshidi Mkhosana, FEDHASA

ICT

Gerard Dumont, IBM.
Kathleen Langman, IBM.
Tamzin Burrill, IBM South Africa.
Tatenda Nyakubaya, ACCSYS.

Logistics and Supply Chain (sponsor: DHL)

Leeanne Soobramoney, The Point Of Purchase Warehouse.
Ntando Mpofo, SAEL.
Shaun Naidoo (Vishnu), Rohlig

Grindrod (PTY) Ltd.
Siveshnie Moodley, Rohlig
Grindrod (PTY) Ltd.
Sylvester Moodley, Kumara Freight CC.

Media and Marketing

Claudia Cutino, Strike Media.
Paul Jackson, Volcano Group.
Roberta Naidoo, Africa Business News.
Shaun Naidoo, Love Johannesburg.

Mining and Industrials (sponsor: Goldfields)

Gerald Wolmarans, EVRAZ Highveld Steel and Vanadium Limited.
Nkuli Bogopa, Rio Tinto.
Sarel Emmerick, ArcelorMittal South Africa.

Travesh Ramkhelawan, ArcelorMittal South Africa.

Professional Services (sponsor: SHL)

Agnes Dire, SizweNtsalubaGobodo.
Charles Douglas, Bowman Gilfillan.
Kim Dowdeswell, SHL South Africa.

Bonolo Sinobolo, KPMG.
Mmuso Selaledi, KPMG.

Public and Private Service

Jeri-Lee Mowers, Rand Water.
Kasturi Moodaliyar, University of Witwatersrand School of Law.
Nicolene Barkhuizen, North-West University.

Priza Mantsena, The South African Post Office.

Seipati Mangadi, GGDA (Gauteng Growth Development Agency).

Retail and FMCG

Ashleigh Mc Currie, Wetherlys.
Jaco du Plessis, Ellerine Holdings.
Teboho Chomane, Ellerine Holdings.
Tsakane Mtenjane, Kimberly Clark.