

Nominations for Southern Africa Startup Awards now open

The Global Startup Awards, which have been held annually since 2012, aim to select and recognise startups and entrepreneurs who have shown outstanding achievement in business and service to the community.



In the latest television interview, CEO of the Southern Africa Startup Awards, McKevin Ayaba, pointed out that the event "celebrates tech superheroes in Southern African region".

So, if you are a tech/web startup from any of the 15 countries in the SADC region, and you believe you've got what it takes, then these awards are for you.

The <u>Southern Africa Startup Awards</u> focus on tech/web industries, working with local and national partners in each region. McKevin indicated that the organisation goes on an annual expedition to find those companies and individuals that within the last five years have shaken and shaped the game through their remarkable web/tech innovations across various sectors 15 categories including:"

- Startup of the year
- Best newcomer
- · Founder of the year
- Investor of the year
- Female role model in tech
- Best social impact startup
- · Best fintech startup
- Best agritech startup
- Best student startup
- · Best edutech startup
- Best accelerator and incubator programme
- Best co-working space
- · Best startup ecosystem initiative
- · People's choice
- · Best water crisis management solution

The focus of the event is to recognise the one percent of the population with the best innovative and outstanding ideas to change the world.
This event will see attendance and participation from all startup superheroes in the web/tech industry within the SADC region.
Nominate your startup superhero <u>here</u> .
Nominations close on 7 May 2018 and finalists will be announced on 9 July2018. Shortly thereafter, public voting will open on 10 July 2018, with national voting rounds closing on 27 August 2018. See the full timeline here .
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