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T&T CHAMBER HONOURS BUSINESSES AND INDIVIDUALS AT ANNUAL AWARDS GALA

After two years of being away physically due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Trinidad and Tobago Chamber of Industry and Commerce (T&T Chamber) returned to its in-person annual Champions of Business Gala Awards and Cocktail Reception.

The Signature Event was held on November 24, at the National Academy for the Performing Arts (NAPA), in Port of Spain. The Champions of Business Gala Awards 2022 themed “Leadership and Legacy,” highlighted the achievements of our businesses and individuals who continue to take on the challenges of recovering from the COVID-19 pandemic and re-building the nation’s economy.

Winners in four categories were announced on the night. They were **Breakthrough Exporter of the Year** awarded to **Kamri Investments Limited**, **Business Technology** awarded to **Air Link Communications Limited** and **Green Agenda** awarded to **DeNovo Energy Limited**.

The finalists for the Entrepreneurship award were **A&J’s Homemade Ice Cream Co. Ltd.**, **Siel Environmental Services Limited** and **Grapes Technology Group**. The winner of the category was **A&J’s Homemade Ice Cream Co. Ltd.**

K.C. Confectionery Limited copped the award for **Internationally Known... T&T Owned Company of the Year**. The T&T Chamber also inducted two business stalwarts into the **Business Hall of Fame** — **Mr. Langston Roach** and **Mr. Nicholas Galt**. They joined 38 other business luminaries who were inducted into the Business Hall of Fame over the past 17 years the Awards programme has been running.

T&T Chamber President Mr. Charles Pashley said, because of a well-planned, strong business community and their Leadership, T&T was able to navigate the difficult headwinds created by the Pandemic on the nation’s economy. He praised the business sector for their resilience over the past two years and heralded their successes during times of uncertainty.

“We must continue to recognise our business community publicly as the economic wealth created by a successful business community creates stability that is necessary for a successful country.

“Our business community stepped up to the social responsibility of operating several mass vaccination sites, which enhanced our ability to vaccinate the population quickly, in an effort to save lives and livelihoods,” he said.

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Mr. Pashley hoped their actions would inspire an entrepreneurial spirit and motivate others to get involved in business, actively participating in making our economy stronger and more competitive in regional and extra-regional markets.

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Photo 1: Winners of the T&T Chamber's Champions of Business Awards, award sponsors and the T&T Chamber's Board of Directors take a moment to capture an auspicious moment at the Champions of Business Gala Awards Finale held at NAPA on Thursday evening.

Photo 2: Business Hall of Fame inductee Mr. Nicholas Galt, Founder, and Chairman of the Trinidad Systems Limited (TSL) Group was presented with his award by Mr. Mark Loquan, President of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (award sponsor).

Photo 3: Mr. Langston Roach, the Founder of Langston Roach Industries Limited was presented with his award by Mr. Mark Loquan, President of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited (award sponsor).

Photo 4: Mr. Anthony Henry and his wife Mrs. June-Ann Henry, owners of A&J's Homemade Ice Cream Co. Ltd collect their Entrepreneurship award from Mr. Emile Clifton - Assistant Vice President, Reputation Management of the Trinidad and Tobago Unit Trust Corporation (award sponsor).

Photo 5: Term Finance CEO Mr. Oliver Sabga presents the Business Technology Award to Ms. Devika Singh, General Manager at Air Link Communications Limited. Term Finance who is this year's award sponsor was also the recipient of this award in 2019.

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Photo 6: The Breakthrough Exporter of the Year was awarded to Kamri Investments Limited. Mr. Kameel Khan – CEO, collects his award for Eximbank Trinidad and Tobago Limited CEO Mr. Navin Dookeran, the award sponsor.

Photo 7: Eximbank Trinidad and Toabgo Limited CEO Mr. Navin Dookeran presents the award for Internationally Known... T&T Owned Company of the Year to Mr. Satnarine Bachew – CEO at K.C. Confectionery Limited. Eximbank Trinidad and Toabgo Limited is once again this year's category sponsor.

Photo 8: Mr. Mark Loquan - President of the National Gas Company of Trinidad and Tobago Limited presents the Green Agenda award to Mr. Brain Ramsumair – Co-founder and Managing Director of DeNovo Energy Limited.

Photo 9: President of the T&T Chamber Mr. Charles Pashley delivers the opening remarks at the Champions of Business Gala Awards Finale held at NAPA on Thursday evening.

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