



GSA UK Professional Awards Winners Announced

New COVID-19 Response categories added to this year's programme

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The GSA is delighted to announce the winners of the GSA UK Professional Awards 2020. The winners were revealed in a really exciting online awards ceremony on the eve of 12th November.

This year's Professional Awards saw the inclusion of new categories focused on corporate and partnership responses to COVID-19, as we saw the sourcing industry demonstrate its professionalism, resilience, and fortitude in the face of circumstances none of us could have predicted, but which have impacted each and every one of us. The GSA received so many great and diverse submissions that we chose to further break these categories down to create 5 awards in total.

There were so many excellent submissions and a couple of submissions that the GSA thought so narrowly missed out on winning that they wanted them to be recognised with Ones to Watch Awards.

Kerry Hallard, CEO of the Global Sourcing Association UK said: "Huge congratulations to all the winners. Well deserved wins across the spectrum of the sourcing industry demonstrating the great talent in this space, but also showcasing the great work delivered by teams around the world. These were highly competitive awards again this year and as such I must also recognise the great work of all those individuals and organisations that made it to the shortlist.

I'm so incredibly proud of how well the global strategic sourcing industry has responded to the many issues created by COVID-19 as clearly demonstrated through the many fabulous submissions entered into our new COVID response categories."

Rising Star of The Year

Laura Quinn – Durhamlane

Manager / Consultant of The Year

Mark Stockwell-Weeks, Sitel Group

Automation Champion of the Year

Darren Atkins, Royal Free Hospital

Digital Champion of The Year

Christopher Bates, Ashurst

Strategic Leader of The Year

Lauren Tennant, Horizon Seven



Excellence in Strategic Sourcing

TestingXperts

Excellence in Relationship Management

Sitel and John Lewis

Excellence in Transformation

NTT Data Services

Excellence in Customer Service

Ascensos

Excellence in Business Service Delivery

TCS

Best Near Shore Team

Miratech

Best Far-Shore Team

EXLSERVICE

Best Shared Services Team

TCS

Award for Inclusion and Diversity Programme of the Year

Aviva

Award for Wellness in the Workplace

CGI

Best Corporate Response to Covid-19

For Best Employee Focussed Response

NHS SBS

For Best Technology Response

SoftServe

For Overall Company Response

NHS SBS

Best Collaborative Response to Covid-19

Best Collaborative Response

Ventilator Challenge UK

Best Partnership Response

British Business Bank and Ashurst



The individual to watch for their excellence in the industry award

Jitin Aggarwal, NTT Data Services

The company to watch for their excellence in the industry award

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About the GSA

The Global Sourcing Association (GSA) is the industry association and professional body for the global sourcing industry, and home of the **Global Sourcing Standard**. Its overriding objective is the ongoing development and dissemination of the Standard and supporting portfolio of qualifications in order to improve the benefits from, and positive reputation and therefore size of, the global sourcing industry.

The GSA also serves to share best practice, trends and connections across the globe and to bring the global community together in a wholly interactive manner for the first time. **The Global Sourcing Association UK**, also known as **GSA-UK**, was formerly known as the National Outsourcing Association in the UK.

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