

CELEBRATING RISK EXCELLENCE

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We are delighted to announce the finalists for the IIRSM Risk Excellence Awards 2026!

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Finalists and sponsors will join IIRSM and guests on Thursday 21 May at the Sheraton Grand London Park Lane, when the winners will be revealed.

Phillip Pearson, IIRSM Chief Executive, said: "Congratulations to all those shortlisted. Your work demonstrates the impact that strong leadership, innovation and collaboration can have in creating safer, more resilient workplaces."

Sam Athey, Managing Director of finalist Partrac, said: "To be recognised by IIRSM for our V-LiDAR technology embodies our commitment to protecting people through innovative design."

Dr Marcin Nazaruk, Founder of Learning from Normal Work, said: "This recognition is an independent confirmation that Learning from Normal Work offers insights into new aspects of risk that traditional tools and processes often miss."

Paul O'Shea, CEO of Ashview Consultants, said: "Risk management is never the work of one person; it's the result of consistent collaboration between our people, our clients and the wider industry, all working towards the same goal of protecting people and businesses."

"I believe the surest way of achieving the aim that no one is harmed in the workplace is to mentor as many professionals as possible to act as the next generation of excellent risk and safety experts," said David Ongesa, Global Occupational Health, Safety and Wellbeing Manager for The Alliance of Bioversity International and CIAT.

Waleed Umer, Assistant Professor in Construction Project Management at Northumbria University, said: "We are thrilled that our AI-powered safety application has been recognised as a technological breakthrough, proving that cutting-edge technology can be a user-friendly, everyday tool for the next generation of safety and risk management professionals."

Haridas Palangattu Veettil, Branch Head of Health, Safety and Environment, Mitsubishi Electric Middle East, Africa and CIS Co. LLC, added: "This recognition reflects our strong commitment to sustainability and effective risk and safety management across our operations."

Judge Samuel Jones, Senior Regional WHS Manager, Amazon, said entries came from "talented individuals and teams that are pushing the boundaries of our profession".



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**OUR
FINALISTS
ARE:**

**BARRY HOLT AWARD
FOR OUTSTANDING RISK
MANAGEMENT PRACTICE**

Ashview Consultants
ABB Process
Industries Division
Risk Team
Prospero
Saudi Arabia Railways
SRGC Department
Enerjisa Enerji
Üretim A.Ş.

MENTOR OF THE YEAR

Joanna Amanyire,
East African Crude
Oil Pipeline Project
(EACOP), Uganda
David Ongesa, The
Alliance of Bioversity
International and
CIAT, Kenya
Kennedy Wong,
Arup, Hong Kong

**TECHNOLOGICAL
BREAKTHROUGH OF THE YEAR**

Partrac Limited,
a Venterra Group
company
Waleed Umer,
Northumbria
University
Enerjisa Enerji
Üretim A.Ş.

RISK TEAM OF THE YEAR

Saudi Arabia Railways
SRGC Department
MATAR – Hamad
International Airport
ADNOC L&S
ERM Department
ABB Process
Industries HSE Team
Ashview Consultants

**LEADERS IN EMPLOYEE
SAFETY AND WELLBEING,
SPONSORED BY hsi donesafe**

Balfour Beatty
and 3M
Ashview Consultants
Pius Kimutai
Milgo, Nokia
Descon Engineering
Stephen Ablett,
University of Reading

**MOST IMPACTFUL
RISK RESEARCH PROJECT,
SPONSORED BY amazon**

Jayachandran,
Saudi Aramco
Learning from
Normal Work
Waleed Umer,
Northumbria
University

**JOHN BENNETT AWARD
FOR EXCEPTIONAL YOUNG
PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR**

Emelia Ntiamoah,
SLB OneSubsea, UK
Juhina Al Shamsi,
Ministry of Transport,
Communications
and Information
Technology, Oman
Munene Kamundi,
Strong Ranger
Resilience, Kenya

**LEADING SUSTAINABILITY
INITIATIVE OF THE YEAR**

Michael John Jose
Beronio, Elegancia
Facilities Management
Masood Shah,
BEEAH Group
Mitsubishi Electric
Middle East, Africa
and CIS Co. LLC

The IIRSM Presidents' Commendation will be announced on the day of the awards.



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