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ISE unveils winners of Student Recruitment Awards 2018

The winners of the Institute of Student Employers (ISE) Student Recruitment Awards 2018 were announced at a gala dinner yesterday evening (10 July).

The awards, which recognise and reward the very best industry programmes and initiatives, were presented by award-winning broadcaster Steph McGovern at the ISE's annual [Student Recruitment Conference](#). Taking place at Celtic Manor Resort in Wales, the event also marked the ISE's 50th anniversary.

Grant Thornton was crowned "Best of the Best" after winning the Graduate Assessment and Selection Strategy Award, a category in which Police Now received Highly Commended. The charity went on to win the Diversity and Inclusion Award for its work with Tonic Agency.

The Graduate Attraction Strategy Award went to HSBC plc, while Babcock International Group received Highly Commended following a submission from Blackbridge. Shortlister with the Defence Science and Technology Laboratory (Dstl) was also Highly Commended for its outstanding contribution as a supplier, a category that was won by Capp & Co for its work with GSK.

Other award winners were Centrica for Best Work Experience Programme and Barclays received the School Leaver/Apprenticeship Strategy Award after being submitted by Capp & Co.

Stephen Isherwood, Chief Executive of the ISE, said: "Our annual conference and awards saw hundreds of professionals from the world of student recruitment come together to debate and celebrate the latest industry developments. The awards were a fitting culmination to the two-day event. Congratulations go to those shortlisted as well as the winners for demonstrating outstanding innovation and success."

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About the Institute of Student Employers

The Institute of Student Employers (ISE), [formerly the Association of Graduate Recruiters \(AGR\)](#), is an independent, not-for-profit member organisation that was established in 1968.

As the UK's leading independent voice for student employers, the ISE's vision is that the success of every business is maximised by full access to student talent.

The ISE achieves this by bringing together employers, the education sector and supplier partners, providing leadership and support in all aspects of student recruitment and development. ISE activities include:

- Promoting excellence and innovation in the resourcing, assessment and development of emerging talent including school leavers, apprentices and graduates
- Providing expert information and insight to ISE member organisations, creating engaged communities for professional networking and sharing of best practice
- Delivering comprehensive research on a range of issues affecting graduate, intern and apprenticeship recruitment and development, including current and future trends and benchmarking data
- Investing in the professional development of members to enhance their skills and knowledge, maximising their career opportunities within the profession
- Influencing key policy areas affecting student employment and the education sector
- Building a strong professional organisation with the right structure and team capabilities to deliver the services and support members require to fulfil their objectives

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