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### **ISE unveils Student Development Awards finalists**

The Institute of Student Employers (ISE) has revealed the finalists in its annual Student Development Awards, which recognise and reward organisations committed to training and developing student talent.

More than 20 employers, higher education institutions and suppliers to the industry have made the shortlist. Capgemini, BNP Paribas and Santander Technology are in the running for more than one award.

A panel of learning and development professionals will judge the shortlist and the winners will be announced at the [ISE Student Development Conference and Awards](#) in London on 28 March.

As well as announcing the award winners, the day-long event features a line-up of industry experts and breakout sessions that will explore and challenge the world of student development. Delegates will also hear the findings from the annual ISE Student Development Survey. A small development-focused exhibition will run alongside the event.

Stephen Isherwood, Chief Executive at the ISE said: “We’re delighted at the number and high quality of entrants. Every year the bar is raised a little higher, which is testament to the investment and commitment of our industry to nurture and develop students.”

#### **ISE Student Development Awards 2018 – finalists**

##### **Best Graduate Induction Award**

- Accenture
- BNP Paribas
- Capgemini
- Lloyds Banking Group
- Santander Technology

##### **Best Post Programme Development Award**

- Central Manchester University Hospitals NHS Trust
- HSBC

##### **Best Preparation for Work: Single Initiative Award**

- City, University of London
- University of Exeter
- University of Glasgow
- University of Hertfordshire

##### **Best Preparation for Work: Overall Strategy Award**

- Nottingham Trent University, Careers Service
- University of York, Careers and Placements

##### **Best School-leaver and Apprentice Development Programme Award**

- BT
- Capgemini

#### **Best Strategic Alignment Award**

- Babcock International Group
- Aviva
- Santander Technology

#### **Best Supplier Contribution Award**

- DBL Europe for its work with UBS
- Smart Resourcing Solutions Ltd for its work with University of Hertfordshire
- The Smarty Train for its work with BNP Paribas

For information on attending the ISE Student Development Conference and Awards visit [ise.org.uk](http://ise.org.uk) or follow us @IoSEorg #ISEDevAwards #ISEDev18

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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 every businesses success 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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