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SAISC Annual Awards

Oscars of the steel industry: Celebrating ingenuity and the craft of steel design

Innovation, ingenuity and a sense of community within the steel construction industry were showcased at the recent **2022 Steel Awards**, where participants across the local steel value chain gathered to attend the highlight of the annual steel industry calendar, hosted by the Southern African Institute for Steel Construction (SAISC) and held at Emperor's Palace, Gauteng.

Celebrating excellence in steel construction

The event demonstrated the excellence in the use of steel in construction. It also highlighted how the local steel sector has triumphed over adversity in the past two years; as well as showcasing a typically South African 'can-do' approach to the challenges endured during this time.

The annual SAISC Steel Awards provide an opportunity for stakeholders across the industry – including engineers, fabricators, designers, architects, processors, merchants and fabricators – to present their work and be honoured for their outstanding achievements.

'Green shoots' theme

The event – known in the steel sector as the 'Oscars of the steel industry' – was an elegant gala-style gathering with a 'red carpet' feel and a growth-related theme this year of 'green shoots'. SAISC chief executive officer, Amanuel Gebremeskel, explains: "Even before the global pandemic, South Africa's steel industry had gone through a period of severe challenges. The 'green shoots' theme is an acknowledgement of the importance of continuing to navigate through troubled times. It is also a tribute to our much-loved former chief executive officer, the late Paolo Trinchero, who did so much for South Africa's steel industry."

Conclusion

The Institute and the valued Steel Awards entrants, sponsors, members and partners have proven once again how much can be achieved across the local steel value chain when all players persevere for the continued success and sustainability of the steel industry.

Enjoy the showcase of the award-winning entries on the following pages. WR



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