

LIMERICK STRAND HOTEL NAMED IRELAND'S BUSINESS HOTEL 2018 AT THE PRESTIGIOUS HOTEL & CATERING AWARDS

Thursday 27th September 2018: Limerick Strand Hotel came home with one of the major awards at the **2018 Gold Medal Awards**.

With 135 finalists up for honours, the judges achieved a mammoth task of selecting 31 outstanding properties for recognition. The winners of all categories were revealed at the gala awards ceremony held at the Ly Rath Estate Hotel, Kilkenny hosted by Martin King.

Now in their 30th year, the Gold Medal Awards are recognised as the leading independent awards programme for the Irish hospitality industry. Judged by industry experts, the Hotel & Catering Review Gold Medal Awards recognise and reward excellence in hospitality and catering operations across the island of Ireland. These awards encourage and applaud hotels, restaurants, guest houses, spa and leisure facilities, event caterers, healthcare caterers, site caterers, as well as individuals and teams, that achieve the highest standard of product and service in the industry.

Commenting on the winners, **Katherine O'Riordan, Event Director** said *"Ireland is world famous as a haven for hospitality and a budding foodie nation so the calibre of winners is no surprise. The judges had a tough job narrowing down the entries to these 31 outstanding properties and it's particularly great to see the standards of the hospitality industry are equally high across the country. I'd like to extend my congratulations to all the finalists and winners – Ireland's reputation is in good hands."*

"What a great night for The Limerick Strand Hotel. It is a great commendation for our hard working team who have showed huge energy, enthusiasm and dedication. Winning Best Business Hotel also cements Limerick's reputation as the go to destination for the business traveller and conference and incentive organiser" said **General Manager, Stephen O'Connor**.

Full list of winner and details available to view and download by clicking [HERE](#) and on Limerick Strand please visit www.strandlimerick.ie.

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NOTE TO EDITORS

The Limerick Strand Hotel is an award winning four-star hotel ideally located on O'Callaghan Strand in the heart of Limerick City Centre. With stunning vistas of The River Shannon and a birds-eye view of every landmark in the historical city the Limerick Strand Hotel is the ideal venue for both business and pleasure trips.

Executive Head Chef, Tom Flavin and his culinary team pride themselves in serving the finest quality of Irish and international cuisine, with an emphasis on fresh, seasonal produce with all the food traceable and where possible with an emphasis on using locally produced products. With incredible conference and banqueting facilities, the Limerick Strand is the preferred venue for weddings, events and meetings.

The Energize Health Centre is the top spot in Limerick to boost your fitness levels or simply enjoy laid-back leisure. Energize boasts not one but four pools, including a 20 metre swimming pool, sauna and jacuzzi.

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