

Kenyans make list of Ernst & Young awards

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Kenyans dominated consultancy Ernst & Young's entrepreneur of the year final list for 2013 issued yesterday.

Ashok Shah of Apollo Investment Ltd, Abid Alam of Alam Group Ltd, Jennifer Riria from Kenya Women Holding Ltd and Manoj Shanker from Techno Brain Ltd are nominated in the Master Category.

In the Emerging Category, Julian Nyamahunge Omalla from Delight Uganda Ltd, Kenyans Esther Muchemi from Samchi Group and Jyoti Mukherjee from Software Technologies Ltd are finalists.

The Awards has been running for 28 years.

It seeks to encourage entrepreneurial spirit and at the same time recognise the contribution of people who inspire others through vision, leadership and contribution in the society.

The programme was launched in eastern Africa in 2011.

"These finalists are a great illustration of the entrepreneurial wealth in East Africa. Their strength, vision and determination to re-shape the business environment in achieving economic growth should be celebrated," said Gitahi Gachahi, Ernst and Young Eastern Africa CEO.