Students win entrepreneur awards

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Muhamad Adib Rosli; Sydney Chasin; Fiona Godsman; Roy Hotrabhvanon; Zachery Baynham-Herd: Lorn Jean Cowie

Six Edinburgh students were among the winners at the Scottish Institute for Enterprise Awards handed out at a dinner in Glasgow city centre last night, winning a share of the £6,000 prize money.

Fresh Ideas was hosted by the Scottish Institute for Enterprise which is an organisation funded by the Scottish Government to inspire entrepreneurial ventures.

Sydney Chasin, Roy Hotrabhvanon, Fiona Inglis and Zachery Baynham-Herd from the University of Edinburgh were recognised for their ideas.

Lorn Jean Cowie and Muhammad Adib Rosli from Heriot-Watt University were given awards in the category of economic importance to the Scottish Government.

Former winners of the competition spoke to the guests explaining how they had turned ideas into business reality.

Fiona Godsman, chief executive of Scottish Institute for Enterprise, said: "We'd like to congratulate all the winners tonight, and everyone who entered the competition.

"Fresh Ideas gives us the chance to celebrate the creative and enterprising talent our young entrepreneurs have.

"Enterprise is necessary when it comes to growing the economy and improving society. It is important to encourage and foster entrepreneurship in our young people to equip them with the skills to go on to become great business people, either working within larger organisations or leading their own teams."

Sydney Chasin

Edinburgh Napier University graduate

A healthy snack food company specialising in a healthy, ecofriendly, alternative to popcorn.

Roy Hotrabhvanon and Fiona Inglis

University of Edinburgh graduate

A new wearable monitoring system to help sports coaches monitor the status of their teams in real time.

Zachary Baynham-Herd

University of Edinburgh

The world's first peer-peer conservation platform connecting those willing to donate to conservation, with those working specifically on individual conservation projects.

Creative Industries

Lorn Jean Cowie

University of Edinburgh

A high-end fashion brand focused around innovation

Environment

Muhamad Adib Rosli

Heriot-Watt

A new wind turbine technology which would allow turbines to capture and generate more energy

Interns of the Year

Fraser Payne

Edinburgh Napier University