

## 2019 Southern Africa Startup Awards finalists - Tanzania

The national finalists for the 2019 edition of the Southern Africa Startup Awards (SAS Awards) have been announced.



Southern Africa Startup Awards, a circuit of the Global Startup Awards which first arrived in Africa in 2017 and launched it Southern Africa (SADC) region in 2018, has a mission to connect, support, and celebrate key players in national and regional startup ecosystems worldwide and to fuse them together on a global entrepreneurial network.

The initiative creates a matrix of opportunities for international partnerships, commercial exchange, and investment opportunities. This is done through a 'bottom-up' strategy with local startup ecosystems that put the founders and startup ecosystem supporters first.

More than 2,400 nominations from organisations and individuals across 15 countries were submitted for the 2019 edition.

The national finalists from Tanzania are:

Best Accelerator or Incubator Program	Smart Lab
Best Newcomer	Bulili Stephano kaliwa
Best Newcomer	Toolboksi
Best Newcomer	NLab Innovation Academy

Best Newcomer	Robotech Labs
Best Social Impact Startup	Robotech Labs
Best Startup Ecosystem Initiative	Toolboxsi
Founder of the Year	Robotech Labs
Startup of the Year	Julius J. Mbungo
Startup of the Year	Toolboxsi
Startup of the Year	Niajiri Platform

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