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## SADC Annual Quality Awards 2012



**Winners of the SADC Annual Quality Award 2012: From the left ITRON Metering Solutions, Bak Logistics, Swift Micro Laboratories, The dti on behalf of South African Breweries and 2nd Bak Logistics representative**

The second SADC Annual Quality Awards presentation ceremony was held on the evening of the 21<sup>st</sup> March 2012 in Lilongwe, Malawi. This year the winning companies are; ITRON Metering Solutions a company from South Africa was the winner in the large enterprise company of the year category, with South African Breweries also a company from South Africa claiming the prize in the large enterprise product of the year category. Swift Micro Laboratories another company from South Africa won in the

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				Zimbabwe

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large enterprise service of the year category while Bak Logistics Private Limited a company from Zimbabwe won in the Small and medium enterprise service of the year category.

These companies were recognized for having robust quality management systems that have demonstrably contributed to the growth of their businesses. No awards were presented in the SADC exporter of the year and individual categories as no entries were considered to have fully met the procedure requirements in these categories. This year although seven countries had expressed verbal interest in the competition, entries were received from only three countries namely Lesotho, South Africa and Zimbabwe. The three countries met the submission deadline and also the requirements for their national level competition.

The Awards were graced by the presence of the guest of honour who was the Honourable Daniel Liwimbi, MP; the Minister of Tourism, Wildlife and Culture in Malawi. In his speech he indicated that the purpose of the competition was not only to reward those that had attained a high level of excellence but also to encourage small and medium enterprises to stretch their capacities for sustainable quality of service delivery and quality of products in order to penetrate the global market.

All Member States are encouraged to facilitate more private and public sector involvement in the SADC Annual Quality Awards; noting that the national level competitions form the basis for the regional competitions.

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