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Abergavenny company lands Chamber Awards success

A local construction specialist is proving that 'Business is Good for Britain' after achieving a number of 'green' achievements.

Anthony A Davies beat off challengers from across Wales to secure the Sustainability Award, impressing judges with its commitment to making environmental best practice a key part of its growth plans.

The company, which offers building, restoration and refurbishment services, has received plaudits for introducing two new eco-friendly joinery ranges...Coed Derwen and Accoya.

The latter is a softwood treated with a vinegar that guarantees timber for 50 years, thus halving the number of trees harvested.

Employing 40 people, Anthony A Davies has also invested in new technologies such as rainwater harvesting systems, solar panelling and geothermal heating.

President of the British Chambers of Commerce Martyn Pellew said: "There has never been a more important time for businesses to showcase the amazing work they are doing on a day-to-day basis.

"The Chamber Awards is a perfect platform for them to do just that and receive the recognition and profile they deserve for helping move the economy forward and create employment, often in local areas."

The British Chambers of Commerce (BCC) Chamber Awards 2012 is committed to finding the best businesses in Britain through a series of regional heats followed by a National Final, due to be held at London's Guildhall on November 29th.

Now in its 9th year, the competition is one of the showcase events for the 'Business is Good for Britain' campaign that highlights the role of business as a positive force for the UK recovery and the success of local communities and individuals.

Anthony A Davies, which is a member of the South Wales Chamber of Commerce, is one of six regional winners in Wales, who will now go forward and compete for the national titles in their respective categories. All will have a chance to win 'Outstanding Business Achievement' and a £25,000 cash prize, courtesy of the RBS Group.

Other successful companies in the region include:

- Biotec Services International (Achievement in International Business)
- Celtic Quest Coasteering (Marketing Campaign of the Year)
- N-ergy Consortium's Donna Turner-Kot (Entrepreneur of the Year)
- Smarta Technology (Excellence in Innovation)
- Wolfestone Translation (Business of the Year and Commitment to People Development)

Martyn concluded: "A record number of firms have taken part this year, all determined to prove that 'Business is Good for Britain!'"

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