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## IKT Awards Finalists Revealed



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With an overwhelming amount of entries received in each category for this year's awards, our panel of independent judges have just completed their deliberations and we can now exclusively reveal our finalists in the 2011 Ireland's Kitchen Trade Awards. It was fantastic and encouraging to see such a response to the awards process and to see just how highly people value not only the potential final outcome but the process itself and what it can bring.

Meeting together at the Hilton Belfast were

our design judges: Denise O'Connor, Architect, Interior Designer & MD Optimise Design, Ruth Cahir, Director ArtCAD and David Caulfield, Sales & Marketing Director BA Components, along with our business judges; Padraic Little, Executive, from Grant Thornton UK and Margaret Cunningham, Client Manager (Construction) Invest NI. They came together to work their way through the entries and by all accounts each category was fiercely contested meaning it was an intense process of analysing each entry and

their merits before agreeing on the finalists. There are to be a total of eight awards given out at the ceremony. Of these eight, seven were open entry awards and within these the judges focused on the distinct design and business areas of the entry.

So after an exciting wait, we can now reveal the finalists in each category.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all the judges for their hard work and to all the people who took the time to put together their entries for the awards.

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## Triflow Concepts Announces Triflow Future Talents Competition 2011

Launched in 2009, Triflow Future Talents is a competition which aims to encourage young designers to design a new kitchen or bathroom product.

As manufacturer of the first three-way tap delivering hot, cold and purified water through a dedicated tube in the same spout, Triflow value innovative engineering design. The Triflow Future Talents competition is an opportunity to build upon their own expertise and support emerging design talent. The 2009 and 2010 Triflow Future Talents competitions were resounding successes, attracting over 150 entries. Entries were judged by eminent experts in the fields of design and architecture including: British architect, Zaha Hadid; interior designer, David Collins; Editor-in-chief of Wallpaper magazine, Tony Chambers; The Times Magazine design columnist, Caroline Roux; Designer and Head of Design at the RCA, Tord Boontje; Director of Applied Imagination at Central Saint Martins, Dr Geoff Crook; and Editor of Architectural Review, Catherine Slessor. The shortlisted designs were displayed at the 100% Design London exhibition. Triflow Future Talents 2010 was won by Sammy Bikoulis, who is currently collaborating with Triflow Concepts to bring his winning design to fruition.

The Triflow Future Talents competition, run as an opportunity for Triflow Concepts to support emerging British talent, is seeking submissions of designs for a pioneering new kitchen tap or accessory. This year, the confirmed panel of judges include: Nicole Swengley, freelance design & lifestyle journalist; Johnny Tucker, Editor of Blueprint magazine; Richard Found, Principal of Found Associates; and Paul Priestman, Director of Priestmangoode and Nicolette Kwok, Director of Triflow Concepts. Designers may apply on

the website: [www.triflowconcepts.com](http://www.triflowconcepts.com)

Entries should be sent in on DVD before the deadline on 30th September 2011. Entries will be shortlisted in early October, with the final winner announced on 7th October. The winner will receive a cash prize of £2,000 and have the opportunity to work with Triflow Concepts towards a prototype of their design and possibly taking this into production.

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