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Portugal Partners with the Professional Clothing Awards 2017



ANIVEC, the Portuguese Association of Clothing and Apparel Industry, together with APICCAPS, the Portuguese Footwear, Components, Leather Goods Manufacturers' Association, and CENIT – Centro de Inteligência Têxtil are proud to announce its new partnership with The Professional Clothing Awards.

César Araújo, President of ANIVEC and CEO of Calvelex stated: "Portugal and the UK have the longest friendship throughout history dating back to 1386 when The Treaty of Windsor was signed and it is something we are keen to continue. We recognise the prestigious Professional Clothing Awards as a well-established event and are honoured to be part of it. With this, we're willing to make Portugal and England's alliance even stronger and we believe that Brexit isn't going to affect this old and deeply historical relation.

Hosted by Kanya King, MBE at the 5-star venue, Intercontinental London – The O2, The Professional Clothing Awards is an International event taking place on 21st June 2017. Proudly sponsored by ANIVEC represented by César Araújo, APICCAPS represented by Fortunato Frederico and CENIT represented by Manuel Teixeira, the Awards celebrate the hard work of individuals and companies in the professional clothing industry.

César Araújo said: "During the prestigious event we would like to say a special thank you to people who have made a difference on our industry either in Portugal or around the world. We will be presenting them with a new award that celebrates friendship and shows a united industry.

Also new for 2017 we have introduced the category 'Man and Woman of the Year' to recognise the outstanding contribution individuals have made to the textile industry. Portugal will be presenting these awards to celebrate their achievement and it's going to be possible to vote through the link www.professionalclothingawards.com very soon.

Yvette Ashby, Managing Director of Professional Clothing director-e, Show and Awards, says: “Thank you to ANIVEC, APICCAPS and CENIT for the wonderful support and partnering with us at The Professional Clothing Awards to make it grow across the globe. We are thrilled to introduce the new category ‘Man and Women of the Year’ along with a special thank you to celebrate the contribution made by individuals. With the kind support of Portugal, who can help educate the industry on what Portugal can offer, we are delighted to expand the Awards Internationally creating a positive working environment for the industry as a whole.”

Nominations are open now and will close on 28th April 2017.

Applications can be submitted at:

<http://www.professionalclothingawards.com/Submit-Your-Application/> |

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About the Professional Clothing Awards

The Professional Clothing Awards have been established to recognise the international uniform supply chain and reward exceptional workwear, corporate clothing and PPE from around the world. After a fantastic event in 2016, The Professional Clothing Awards is back and will be held in the nation’s capital at the new 5-star venue: Intercontinental – The O2.

The awards will cover all facets of the working garment industry from Business Manager Awards, PPE Innovation Awards, Supplier, Manufacturer and Distributor Awards and Industry Recognition Awards. 2017 also sees the return of 'Project 20/20', our quest to shine a light on young designers looking to make their mark on the professional clothing industry.