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Bankhall members celebrate financial advice

- ***700 guests join in a celebration of financial advice at the Gala Dinner where members and providers alike are presented with awards***
- ***Chris Cummings presented with 'Industry personality of the year'***
- ***Aviva presented with 'Bankhall provider of the year'***
- ***Woolwich presented with 'Lender of the year'***

A record number of guests attended the 2009 Bankhall Conference Gala Dinner where over 14 awards were presented to a mix of IFAs and product providers.

Bankhall Managing Director David Golder presented the awards with support from hosts for the evening Ray Stubbs and Mark Lawrenson. The award winners were as follows

Industry personality of the year	Chris Cummings, AIFA
Bankhall Small IFA of the Year 2009 1	Matrix Capital
Bankhall Medium IFA of the Year 2009	Webb Holton
Bankhall Large IFA of the Year 2009	Compass WMC
Best use of Technology by a Bankhall Member 2009	MDM
Best Bankhall Member Web Site 2009	Brookfield for www.letsgetprotected.co.uk
Commitment to Qualifications 2009	Whitehall
Lender of the Year	Woolwich
Pension Provider of the Year	Scottish Life
Technology Provider of the Year	Standard Life
Protection Provider of the Year	Aegon Scottish Equitable
Investment Provider of the Year	Skandia
Specialist Provider of the Year	Just Retirement
Bankhall Provider of the Year	Aviva
RDR Support	Prudential

A number of Bankhall members were also presented with 10-year member awards.

Commenting on the Gala Dinner and awards ceremony, David Golder said

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"We are delighted to announce the winners of this year's winners of the Bankhall awards. This is the 11th year we've run the awards and I would like to congratulate all of our nominees and winners and also to thank those who were presented with 10-year awards for their continued support."

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About Bankhall

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