

Namibia: Young Entrepreneurs Chosen As New Leaders for Tomorrow

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FIVE young entrepreneurs from Namibia have been chosen for the New Leaders for Tomorrow, a programme by the Crans Montana Forum (CMF) for 46 businesspeople from all over the world.

Shaun Awaseb of the Wadadee Group, Joao Paulo Dos Santos of JPS Investment cc, Twapewa Kadhikua of Xwama Cultural Village, Tonata Shiimi of A-Z Investment Holdings and Michael Iyambo of Oshikoto Fresh Fruits & Vegetables were chosen by CMF chairman and founder Jean-Paul Carteron at the Crans Montana Forum of New Leaders for Tomorrow which took place in Switzerland recently. The Namibians were joined by entrepreneurs from Africa, the Arab World, Eastern Europe, Central Asia, South America and the Far East.

They were selected for “their exceptional professional achievements and leadership experience in business and government”, a statement by the Ministry of Trade and Industry said yesterday.

“Candidates must be younger than 42 years and must at least attest to professional success, leadership experience and enjoy a good reputation in the community. The New Leaders for Tomorrow should be active within their community and committed to [the] social and economic development of their country,” the Ministry said.

The CMF of New Leaders for Tomorrow supports the commitment of young generations in the construction of a more humane and impartial world. It aims to provide “decisive support in the success of these young decision-makers of extraordinary potential, giving them access to unique networking platforms”. The new leaders will have access to these forums for three years.

Bernadette Artivor, under-secretary of the Namibia Investment Centre in the Ministry, led the local delegation to the forum.